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GRANGERS IN SESSION.

Springfield Pomona Holds Meeting in Palmer Tuesday.

WITH INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Palmer Man is Master. Varied Program And Interesting Addresses by Well-known Speakers.

The Springfield Pomona Grange met with the Palmer Grange in an all day's session Tuesday. At the business meeting in the morning the treasurer reported \$51.47 in the treasury. The secretary reported 246 members in good standing. It was voted to instruct Master Jones to communicate a protest to Gov. Walsh against reorganizing the State Board of Agriculture at this time. The following officers were installed by State Master Chapman, assisted by Miss Isabella



Francis L. Jones

Master of Springfield Pomona Grange.

Chapman: Master, F. L. Jones; overseer, Kirk Jones; lecturer, Isabella Chapman; steward, William Ashwell; assistant steward, F. D. Rogers; chaplain, W. O. Parminter; treasurer, Charles B. Bennett; secretary, Mrs. C. L. Hayward; gate keeper, A. L. Johnson; Ceres, Mrs. E. T. Hunt; Pomona, Mrs. F. D. Rogers; Flora, Mrs. Bessie Jenks; lady assistant steward, Edith Johnson; executive committee, W. W. King.

The afternoon session opened with a roll call, followed by a song by the audience. These towns were represented: East Longmeadow, 2; Granby, 1; Ludlow, 15; Palmer, 27; Springfield, 20; Chicopee, 2; West Springfield, 4; Wilbraham, 2; visiting members from other granges, 14; others, 12. C. W. Carpenter gave the welcoming address and Steward R. W. Ashwell of Ludlow gave the response. Edward S. Chapman, Master of the Massachusetts State Grange, spoke on "Opportunities for Betterment of Rural Communities," touching on the fine work which could be done on the hillside farms if worked in a scientific way, and what education was doing and what it really means to the farmer. He closed by saying that there were 38,000 members in the Grange and it was their opportunity to study out new processes which would mean results. A piano solo was then given by Mrs. Miller of Wilbraham. Mr. C. H. Hobson, superintendent of schools in Palmer, spoke on "Opportunities Along Educational Lines." The different nationalities in the schools, why the parent and teacher should co-operate, the necessity for playgrounds and physical culture training, how a child spends his idle moments. He concluded by saying "The opportunities are unlimited for those who are willing to work." After a reading by Mrs. C. A. Lanphear, the session closed with a song.

BELCHERTOWN.

J. R. Gould passed the 83d anniversary of his birth last Sunday.

At its meeting last Thursday evening the Epworth League held its election of officers as follows: President, Raymond Gay; first vice president, Everett Howard; second vice president, Adele Hinds; third vice president, Miss Stadler; fourth vice president, Merle Gay; treasurer, Clifton Witt; secretary, Mrs. Harry Aldrich; organist, Mrs. William E. Shaw.

WILBRAHAM.

The ice houses are being filled with a fine quality ice about 12 inches thick. A party of friends of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Millard met with them at their home Thursday evening and watched the old year out. A very pleasant time was enjoyed.

\$60,000 Fire in Heart of Business Section

Three-story Commercial Block on Main Street and Two-story Building Adjoining Early Tuesday Morning. Six Business Firms Out.

Fire which was discovered early Tuesday morning completely destroyed the Commercial block on the corner of Main and Bridge streets, a three-story structure on Main and four stories on Bridge, and a small two-story building adjoining it on the west. Six business concerns were burned out, and the loss will be in the neighborhood of \$60,000.

The loss on the Commercial block is estimated at \$25,000, and \$3000 on the small block. On the Bridge street side of the block was the "Palmer market" of E. H. Truesdell, and his loss is in the vicinity of \$4000. There was also a vacant store on this side of the block. On the Main street side was the Sego Lunch, O'Neil & Kretchmar, proprietors; their loss is about \$3000. The Direct Importing Company, dealers in teas and coffees, is a newcomer and had a large stock, on which the loss is estimated at \$2500. Next west was the hardware store of the E. Brown Company, hardware, the oldest business place in the town; their loss is from \$10,000 to \$15,000. On the second floor of the block was the office of the Consolidated Printing Company, where the loss is about \$1000. In this place was a linotype machine owned by the Premier Printing Company of Springfield, valued at \$1500. F. E. Cady lost personal property in the office valued at \$100. On this floor also were tenements occupied by the families of L. J. Barry and W. H. King; the members all escaped, but with only the clothing which they wore, this being rather scant in some instances. Court Palmer, Foresters of America, had their lodge rooms on the third floor, and lost everything, the value being set at about \$1000. The small building was occupied on the ground floor by the Marathon Candy Company, owned by Greeks who came here from Springfield in July, 1913, the upper floor being utilized as a tenement; the stock and fixtures were valued at about \$2500.

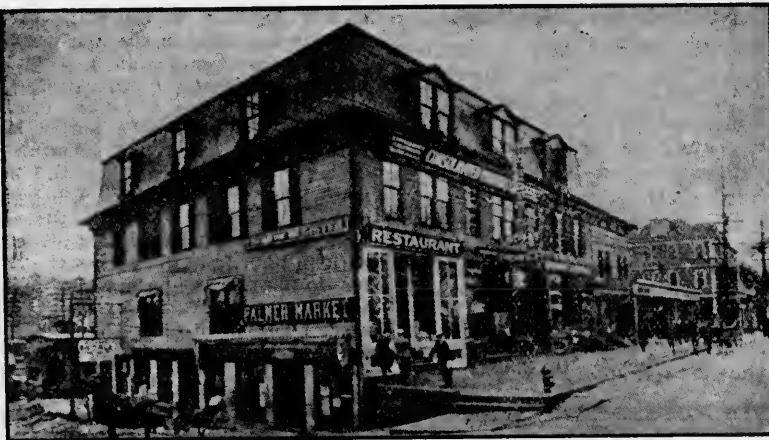
The fire was discovered about 5.25 by Louis J. Barry, employed as a bottler by C. H. Burns, who occupied the tenement over the store of the E. Brown Company. His wife woke him and called his attention to a smell of smoke. It did not take him long to learn that there was a brisk blaze in the Marathon Company's building, close up to the side of his room. Calling to his oldest child he dressed as rapidly as possible, getting only a part of his clothes on before the smoke drove them all out. Getting his wife and children into the street he rang an alarm from box 68 at the corner of Main and Walnut streets, then attempted to save something from his apartments. Going into the front room he found that the fire was already bursting through the wall from the other building, and was only able to secure a much-prized picture. Another attempt to get into the room was blocked by the flames and smoke. The Kings, on the other side of the hall, were aroused and got out at once, but were unable to save anything.

The firemen responded quickly to the alarm, being on the spot with hose laid in a very few moments. When they arrived the whole third story of the Commercial block was in flames, and there seemed to be considerable fire in the upper part of the small building. Chief Summers went up there at once, but failed to locate much blaze except in the attic. The first line of hose was run up the stairs and an attempt made to reach the blaze, but with no great degree of success. He next attempted to investigate conditions on the second floor of the Commercial block, but was unable to get farther than the top of the stairs, being held at bay by the dense smoke. He could plainly hear the flames crackling in the walls and knew that a hard fight was ahead.

Five lines of hose were laid, one from the hydrant at the corner of the burning building, which sets back about 10 feet from the street line, one from the corner of Main and Walnut streets across the street, and one from the corner of Bridge and Water streets; this was brought to play on the rear of the building, but was not very strong owing to the up-hill nature of the ground from the hydrant to the fire. The steamer was set at the corner of Main and Thorndike streets, diagonally across the street from the blaze, and two powerful streams were pumped

Upper Story a Mass of Flames When Discovered.

Tenants Have Narrow Escape. Firemen Have Long Hard Fight in Zero Weather, But Do Fine Work. Another Blaze Early Yesterday Morning in a Grocery Store. Stock Ruined, Building Saved; Damage About \$2000.



Commercial Block, Palmer.

steadily until about 11.30, when it was sent back to the house. Owing to the nature of the building practically nothing could be done to save it. The only thing which would have put out the blaze would have been complete immersion. The Commercial block was of old-style, open construction, and the flames once between partitions had practically free access to any part of the structure; that they lost no time in getting to all parts of it is evident from the speed with which the fire appeared at widely separated points. Robert Barton, manager of the E. Brown Company, who was one of the first on the scene, could hear the fire roaring in the partitions and along the space between the ceiling and the floor above when he went to secure his books and records from the safe. The firemen fought the blaze systematically, methodically and persistently. It was hard work. The mercury stood at zero when they started and did not warm up a whole lot until late in the afternoon. Wherever water touched their clothing it froze, and many of the men soon bore a close resemblance to walking icebergs, with icicles of generous proportions hanging to headwear and hand coverings. The roof of the Holbrook monitor block at the west was utilized to good advantage, and from this vantage point the fire was driven back from the small block, thus protecting property to the west. This was all that could be done under the circumstances, and the firemen were content to watch that the flames did not spread to adjoining buildings. A small store at the rear of the Commercial block and attached to an extension of it, the property of the E. Brown estate, was practically unharmed. The Caryll block across Bridge street was threatened for a time, but was hardly damaged. The Holbrook monitor block west of the Marathon Company's place was uninjured, although the Marathon store was burned to a skeleton. The firemen were aided materially by the absence of wind. Had there been any at all the fight would have been very much harder, with a probable further property loss. The men were, some of them, kept pouring water onto the ruins, which blazed now and then, all day, and men were continually on guard until this forenoon.

The Three Rivers fire department, learning of the seriousness of the problem, sent a delegation to help, which arrived about 25 minutes after the alarm had been given. They rendered valuable aid until well into the forenoon, when, as the fire was well in hand, they were dismissed by Chief Summers. The men went home loud in their praises of the way they were treated by their fellow-firefighters. Hot coffee and sandwiches were served all the firemen at the Converse House and at Bards' lunch cart.

There was plenty of water at all times. There were suggestions that the supply might run out, as the quantity in the water company's reservoirs is known to be limited, but an investigation after the fire showed that there had been no cause for alarm.

Just what the burned-out firms will do is uncertain, with two exceptions. The E. Brown Company will utilize the small building at the rear of the burned block for their plumbing and heating business, and repair work, until they decide fully as to the future. The Direct Importing Company has secured space in the office of the Central Massachusetts Electric Company, and will open there again on Saturday morning.

The Commercial block was the joint property of A. W. Holbrook and the E. Brown estate, each owning a separate part, although the building was one structure. It was erected in 1871, replacing a building burned a few years previous. What will be done about rebuilding now will depend on circumstances. Mr. Holbrook announces his intention of putting up some kind of building, probably one of two stories, on his part of the land at once, and will begin clearing away the ruins as soon as they are cool enough to handle. He would also like to buy the Brown estate's part of the land, including that on which the Marathon candy building stood, and erect one block to cover the whole. Whether the estate will sell is not known. If it does not, a building will undoubtedly be erected on that portion of the land.

The origin of the fire is a mystery, but its place of beginning is not. It started in an unoccupied room on the second floor of the Marathon Company's building, burned through that into the Commercial block, and then, spread inside partitions and between floors and ceilings to all parts in a few moments. Night Officer Crimmins left the street at 5 o'clock, and was in front of the building the last thing before going home; he noticed nothing wrong, although the fire was seen by others about 15 minutes later. The tenement was occupied by men only, the wife of one of them having gone a few days ago to Springfield to stay for a time. The alarm had hardly been given when these men appeared on the street fully clothed, with their worldly goods packed in trunks. A few weeks ago fire was discovered in the basement of the store, but was put out with not much damage.

Many of the residents knew nothing of the fire until after it was all out. The alarm rang only six strokes on the bell in the engine house, but the wire mill whistle gave the regular blasts. These were not heard very generally, and as a consequence the first knowledge of the fire which some people had was when they turned a corner on their way down street and were confronted by the ruins.

An alarm from box 68 at 2 o'clock yesterday morning called the firemen to the Lawrence block on Main street, where a fire was found in the west store, occupied as a grocery and market by Salvatore Smiraglia, carrying a stock particularly favored by Italians. When discovered the interior was a mass of flames which were almost ready to burst through the windows. This they did in a moment or two, and

the blaze shot out under the wide wooden awning, across it and up to the roof of the building.

The firemen were on hand in short order and laid two lines of hose, with which they were able to squelch the blaze in short order, but not until the interior of the place was a total wreck. The fire burned fiercely on the under side of the awning roof, and broke through the show windows into the plumbing establishment of S. W. Lyon & Co. next door, a brick partition wall protecting it on the inside. Here the flames did little damage, the harm coming from the water thrown in to extinguish them. Many of the stoves on the floor and other articles of metal were wet and rusted. On the other side and only about two feet from the Lawrence block stood the small frame office of the Palmer Trucking Company. This was badly scorched on the front corner and the roof honeycombed; in addition to which some water made its way into the interior and onto papers and records.

Smiraglia estimates his loss on stock and fixtures at \$1500. The business was established this summer in the basement of the block, being moved up stairs when the National Biscuit Company gave up the store two or three months ago. The business has been markedly successful, and the owner announces that he will start up again as soon as possible; he has \$1200 insurance. The loss on the building is small, as it is burned very little. Smoke and a very little water in one room up stairs was the only damage there. Lyon & Co.'s loss is \$400 to \$600.

The cause of the fire is laid to rats and matches. The fire apparently started in the rear of the front room, in the corner at the right. Matches were kept close by on the shelf, and there are known to be numerous rodents about the place; they might be seen almost any day. The owner says that there was no fire in that room, and that everything was all right when he left it several hours previously.

Veteran Singer Retires.

Wilbur F. Miller of Ludlow, Well Known in This Vicinity.

Wilbur F. Miller, chorister of the Methodist church in Ludlow, concluded his services in that capacity last Sunday. Mr. Wilbur is 75 years of age and has the record of having sung in church steadily for 33 years at a regular salary. Although he is not a professional singer, having never taken music lessons, he has sung in all parts of this country and in Europe. He is from a musical family and began his career at the age of 10 by singing also in the village choir at Ludlow. At the age of 15 he became a regular member of the choir. He was a member of a male chorus which sang at several political meetings preceding the election of Abraham Lincoln; also of the famous '46 quartet at Newbern, S. C. Mr. Wilbur led the choir at Indian Orchard for six years, he has sung in the Trinity church and the Highland Baptist church of Springfield, the Congregational church of Chicopee Falls, the Congregational church of Palmer, the Congregational church of Newington, Ct., and while on a tour in Europe he sang in the Spurgeon's tabernacle in London. An Austrian who heard him sing in Dresden offered to pay his expenses to Berlin, to pay for a course in the conservatory there and to guarantee him a high salaried position on the operatic stage, an offer which Mr. Wilbur is quoted as refusing by saying, "I had rather live in Ludlow unrecognized as a great singer than tour the world as an artist." Mr. Miller is well known in Palmer and vicinity by reason of numerous appearances in Old Folks' concerts and other musical programs.

Of Interest to Women.

Of particular interest to women will be the announcement on another page of the January sale now on at Farmer's Shoe Shop in Springfield. These sales are looked forward to by discriminating buyers of women's footwear as an opportunity to secure unusual values, and the prices quoted in the announcement would indicate that their expectations will be fully realized in this instance.

SPECTACULAR RUNAWAY.

Two Women Thrown Out on Main Street Friday.

MAN HURT TRYING TO STOP HORSE.

Mrs. Mabel Branston and Miss Ethel Shea of Belchertown Hurt in the Mixup.

A runaway which appeared to on-lookers to be fraught with serious consequences for two people took place on Main street about 10 o'clock last Friday morning. Three people were injured, but none of them seriously. Mrs. Mabel Branston and Miss Ethel Shea of South Belchertown were thrown from a buggy and bruised and shaken up, and Isaac Ryder had his face cut and bruised in attempting to stop the runaway horse.

Mrs. Branston and Miss Shea were driving from South Main street to Main, and on the bridge over the railroad turned well to one side to avoid striking a woman who stood in the roadway. The wheels caught in the electric car track and this, combined with a passing locomotive and a large wooden tank which was being carted past, frightened the horse and he started to run. In making the turn at the foot of the grade the wheel struck the curbing and crumpled under, throwing Mrs. Branston out, Miss Shea remaining in the vehicle. In front of the Holden block Isaac Ryder, employed as a milk peddler by C. H. Filer, seized the horse but was knocked off his feet by the dragging wheel, and his face was badly cut and bruised. The horse swerved into Walnut street and out again, the carriage striking a hydrant and throwing Miss Shea out. She struck the hydrant and was rendered unconscious for a time. She was taken into J. P. Lynde's drug store and was attended by Dr. H. C. Cheney and Dr. J. P. Schneider. She recovered in a short time, and both women proceeded home in another carriage. Their horse was stopped on North Main street.

Two Palmer Industries.

Historical Society Hears of Wire Mill and Carpet Company.

The Palmer Historical Society held its meeting in the Congregational church on Tuesday evening with a fair audience in attendance, considering the fact that there were several other meetings the same night. As Mr. Vesson was called from town he arranged with Mr. W. J. Gillis of the wire mill to take his place, who gave a very interesting and instructive talk on the manufacture of wire. He began with the smelting of the ore and its transmission into iron and into rods for use in our Palmer mill, and then gave all the details for the making of the diversified forms and styles of wire, from the threadlike wire to the cable ropes for sustaining bridges. He had the various kinds of wire made at the Palmer mill on exhibition, which was quite a revelation to most of those present.

Harry K. Howe of the Palmer Carpet Company gave an instructive talk on carpet manufacture in general, and with the aid of the stereopticon illustrated the methods of the various operations necessary for producing the best results. He also illustrated the methods of the art of rug making, for it is a wonderful art, including the Oriental as well as the American methods. Also he gave a brief account of the wonderful career of Mr. Whitall as a carpet manufacturer, which illustrates what genius and perseverance can accomplish. At the close of the meeting the president fittingly voiced the thanks of the society for the instructive service rendered by the speakers regarding two of the important industries of Palmer.

Work at Fish Hatchery.

Additions and Improvements Nearly Completed. Many Eggs Hatching.

The work of completing the new state fish hatchery at Palmer Center is fast nearing the end. There are at the present time thousands of eggs in process of hatching, including brook trout, rainbow trout, and Chinook salmon. The new heating apparatus has been installed, and with the coming spring many hundreds of all kinds of fish will be sent out, including pike perch, small and large-mouth black bass. The new building is modern in every respect and has a capacity for handling thousands of fish, which will be placed in the waters of the Commonwealth. The new ice house which has also been built the past year is being filled with fine quality of ice for use in transporting fish during the present year.

WARE.

A large electric motor is being installed in the Charles A. Stevens Company's plant for use in supplying power to the weave room when the steam or water power is insufficient.

Mrs. Louisa M. Jennison, widow of David I. Jennison of West Brookfield, has sold the property known as the Hampshire House on Main street to Mrs. William Rohan, who has taken possession. This property is assessed for \$33,450.

An alarm of fire called the fire department out Sunday morning to a fire at 24 Munroe street, where a lively blaze in one room was soon extinguished. The fire was probably the result of someone's smoking in bed. The damage will probably amount to about \$50 or \$75.

Mrs. Julia Beaman, 67, died at her home on South street Saturday morning of pneumonia after a brief illness. She had always lived in Ware, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Gould. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Thomas Quinn of this town, and one brother, Charles Gould. The funeral was held Monday afternoon, with burial in Aspen Grove cemetery.

Miss Sarah Harding died in her home on High street on Monday afternoon after a week's illness of pneumonia. She had been a life-long resident of this town. She is survived by one sister, Miss Ellen Harding, with whom she lived, and one brother, Nelson J. Harding of Waltham. The funeral was held from the home yesterday afternoon, and burial was in the old Church street cemetery.

Saturday night on his return to Ware from Gilbertville Charles Jacques, driver of C. H. Rood's furniture team, told an interesting story of how he had been held up near the Marsh farm by a man who had demanded 50 cents from him. Jacques claimed to have knocked the man down and left him in the road and come to Ware. Police Buckley immediately went to the scene of the supposed hold-up, but found no signs of an encounter.

The Democratic town committee met Sunday evening and organized as follows: Chairman, John R. Moriarty; secretary, John T. Brosnahan; treasurer, James Anderson; other members, Michael J. Houlihan, Timothy J. Kelliher, Euclid Deslauriers and E. J. Gravel. There is some question as to the legality of this transaction, as it was done on Sunday, but it is the custom which has been followed for a number of years.

Chief Buckley was called by telephone to the home of Mrs. John Pilch, who lives on a farm off West street, Saturday morning by Mrs. Pilch, who was frightened at a stranger who threatened to take possession of the house. When the chief arrived at the farm the man had left, but he was traced through the snow to the woods near the Ryan farm on Beacon street, where he overtook and arrested him. The man gave his name as Wojcik Locki of Philadelphia. He was locked up and arraigned in the district court Tuesday morning.

BRIMFIELD.

Many will be interested in an article by Miss M. Anna Tarbell which appears in the January number of the Countryside Magazine on the Brimfield public library, giving both interior and exterior views.

Robert Sherman, Master of Brimfield Grange, installed the officers of Warren Grange in that town last Friday evening. He was accompanied by several members of the local grange, and assisted in the work by Miss Alice Sherman.

Over 40 members were present at the annual roll call of the Congregational church last Friday, following a chicken dinner served by the women. Among those present were the following from out of town: Rev. William Bissell of Vershire, Vt., Mrs. Rose Robinson and Miss Della Adams. Many who were not able to be present sent letters which were read at the meeting.

The following officers were elected at the business meeting of the Congregational church last Saturday: Clerk, Edward B. Brown; treasurer, Miner H. Corbin; auditor, Fred Bissell. Edward Fairfield was chosen deacon in place of William Bissell, who resigned. E. B. Brown was re-elected for three years. Reports were read showing a successful year, with a gain in membership.

HAMPDEN.

Death of Zina Harris.

Zina E. Harris, 75, for the past seven years a resident of Hampden, died at his home Sunday morning after an illness covering a long period of time. Aside from carrying on his farm he preached in the Advent Christian church as long as his health permitted. He is survived by a widow and two daughters, Miss Etta M. Harris of New Haven, Ct., and Miss Mabel E. Harris of this town; also two sons, Austin K. and Frank E., both of Hampden; also two grandchildren and two sisters and three brothers. The funeral was held Tuesday at the home, and burial was in the Butler cemetery in Monson.

Hampden Grange had roll call at its regular meeting last Friday evening in Grange Hall. The first and second degrees were conferred and several were admitted to the order on demits.

The Willing Helpers Society of the Federated church tendered a reception to Rev. Dr. Joseph Sullivan last Thursday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Mulroney. About 60 were present and watched the old year out and the new year in.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Kibbe entertained a party of 20 at eards in their home Monday evening. Auction pitch was played and prizes were won by Mrs. Clinton Markham of East Longmeadow and A. F. Ballard. Consolation prizes were given to Mrs. F. H. Rowley of Somers, Ct., and Clinton Markham of East Longmeadow. A social hour with music was also enjoyed.

News of the death of Mrs. Alletta (Chaffee) Giles of Ridgewood, N. J., was received here last week. Mrs. Giles' first husband was Dr. Ralph Chaffee, a native of South Wilbraham. After his death his widow married Mr. Giles of New York, who lived but a few years, and since his death Mrs. Giles has lived with her son in Ridgewood, N. J. As long as she was able she made an annual visit to Dr. Chaffee's relatives in Hampden, where she made many friends, but who have all passed away with the exception of Mrs. A. C. Thompson. Mrs. Giles was 88 years old and leaves two sons, George M. Chaffee of Ridgewood and Ralph G. Chaffee of Hackensack, N. J.; also several grandchildren.

WARREN.

Grange Officers.

The newly elected officers of Warren Grange were installed last Friday evening in Brigham's Hall as follows: Master, Archer N. Tuttle; overseer, Robert W. Williams; lecturer, Miss Ruth E. Rice; steward, Elias H. Cutler; chaplain, William E. Patrick; treasurer, William F. Taylor; secretary, Miss Julia L. Patrick; gatekeeper, Benjamin Mitchell; Ceres, Miss Elsie Kimball; Pomona, Miss Grace Laffin; Flora, Miss Althine Southwick; lady assistant steward, Miss Ruth E. Cutler; pianist, Miss Mabel Underwood; executive committee, Alfred A. Warriner.

Charles Kelbart and Calvin Bliss, purchasing agent, Albert W. Bliss, literary committee, Mrs. Grace N. Shepard, Mrs. Florence Warriner, George E. Tarbell and Miss Leda Klebart; music committee; Mrs. Grace Dillaber, Miss Alice Hoe, Miss Charlotte Elder and Ernest Gage; visiting committee, Mrs. Della M. Sarty, Miss Louise Spencer, Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Moore.

Mireault—French

Miss Bertha Anna Mireault of West Brookfield and Thomas Francis French of Springfield were married in the Hotel Ramsdell last Thursday evening by Justice of the Peace William F. Duncan. After the ceremony a dinner was served to the wedding party. After a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. French will make their home in Springfield, where Mr. French is a member of the police force.

The manufacturing firm of Sayles & Jenks is running on full time now and expects to start soon on a night run.

Charles B. Blair, town treasurer, has received the sum of \$376.30, the amount of the dog fund, from the county treasurer.

Following are the officers chosen for the coming year by the First Congregational church society: Clerk, Ralph B. Patrick; treasurer, Albert J. Chidester; deacon for four years, Frank E. Gleason; superintendent of Sunday school, William L. Day; auditing committee, Frank E. Gleason, George E. Tarbell and Joseph G. Hastings.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

William Edward, the two-months-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Backus, died Tuesday morning of pneumonia after a short illness. The funeral was held from the home yesterday afternoon, and burial was in St. Thomas' cemetery.

At the meeting of the Men's Club in Grace Union church Monday evening a lecture by Dr. George W. Andrews of Monson was enjoyed. He took for his subject "The Crime of 1914 and the Hope of 1915." The election of officers for the year followed: President, Dr. A.

L. Damon; vice president, W. H. Stedman; treasurer, H. W. Cutler; lunch committee, N. L. Bradley, F. A. Thayer, H. M. Green; program committee, Rev. H. L. Jennings, Dr. A. L. Damon, D. C. Griswold; membership committee, Louis Stacy, A. M. Seaver, J. W. McDermott, H. M. Green, James Fields, Joseph Babineau and Robert McCullam.

HOLLAND.

Work is being resumed on L. C. Howlett's new barn.

O. L. Howlett has built an ice house for C. L. Gould of Springfield and has filled it with ice.

Learning and Looks.

In J. P. Oliveria Martin's "Prince Henry, the Navigator," is this curious extract from the will of Judge Mangacha, who bequeathed all he had to the founding of the University of Coimbra (1448):

"The college shall not admit rich noblemen, coxcombs, drunkards, rovers, stammerers nor any addicted to vice nor any crooked nosed nor fat faced person nor any with the complexion of rosemary, even though they be virtuous."

"Ten pauper scholars and four servants without alms or beasts" were to be received into this now famous college "already tutored and over sixteen years of age." The founder, a fine swordsman and an astute scholar, "was learned, brave and restless."

When Mansfield Was Hungry.

In Paul Wiltach's "Richard Mansfield" the actor's early struggles to gain a foothold on the stage in London are described in his own words:

"For years," said Mansfield, "I went home to my room. If fortunately I had one, and perhaps a tallow dip was stuck in the neck of a bottle, and I was fortunate if I had something to cook for myself over a fire, if I had a fire. That was my life. When night came I wandered about the streets of London, and if I had a penny I invested it in baked potatoes from the baked potato man on the corner. I would put these hot potatoes in my pockets, and after I had warmed my hands I would swallow the potatoes. That is the truth."

Palmerston and the Derby.

The Derby has had many devotees, but none more ardent than Lord Palmerston. For fifty years, as regularly as clockwork, the popular statesman galloped down to Epsom on Derby day, and it was to his great disgust that on his last visit he was compelled by infirmity and foul weather to make the journey in a carriage. As he saw the French horse Gladateur forge ahead that day he said to a friend, "If the foreigner wins I shall not live through the year." Gladateur won, and in less than four months "Pam" was dead.—London Chronicle.

Not Disconcerted.

An old negro minister was recently interrupted in the course of his sermon by a loud laugh from one of the congregation. He stopped his discourse and said:

"De 'postle has told us dat 'er hearty laugh does good like medicine," but de brudder is 'spectfully minded dat dis ain't er doctor's office nor er 'pothecary's shop," and then he resumed his sermon.—Los Angeles Times.

Neutral.

"Your daughter seems to have a great many suitors."

"Yes, at least four or five."

"Which one does she favor?"

"I don't know. She seems to be observing a strict neutrality."—Detroit Free Press.

Poetical.

"That poet is a genius."

"He rhymes raiment with payment."

Tailors will tell you that they rarely go together.—Exchange.

A Herculean Task.

The bridegroom was intensely serious.

"My dear," he said to his little wife (they are always little, "you have a hard task before you. Now that we are wed, you will have to prove to my four sisters that you are worthy of me."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Too Fresh.

He—I'm not earning my salt. She—That's unfortunate, when you need salt so badly.—Boston Transcript.

Notice to Piano Owners.

Mr. J. Frank Normand, Piano Tuner and Repairer. Nearly 20 years' experience on all makes of pianos. Over fifty satisfied piano owners to refer to in Palmer, Monson and vicinity. Orders for piano tuning or repairs, mailed to 500 Main street, Worcester, Mass., will receive prompt attention.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

LAND COURT.

To Arthur D. Bramble, Julia M. Sheridan, sometimes called Julia M. Thompson, John J. Daley, Jennie L. Taylor, George S. Nash and Lucy Ferry of Palmer, in the County of Hampden, said Commonwealth; the Second Baptist church in Palmer, a religious corporation located at said Palmer; Marcia A. Flynn and Everline H. Colburn of Pittsfield, in the County of Berkshire and said Commonwealth; H. Eugene Paul of Attleboro, in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth; Gilbert W. Paul of Pittsfield, in the County of Berkshire, and said Commonwealth; any heirs, devisees, or legal representatives of William H. Gray or Grey, formerly of said Palmer, deceased; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Minnie C. McDowell of Spencer, in the County of Worcester, and said Commonwealth, to register and confirm her title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pipe in the southeasterly side of Knox street in the Depot Village of said Palmer and at the northwesterly corner of land of Julia M. Thompson and Marcia A. Flynn, thence S. 45 degrees 59 minutes E. one hundred forty-four and 5/10 (144.9) feet along said last named land to an iron pipe in line of land of John J. Daley, thence S. 44 degrees 11 minutes W. one hundred forty-eight and 7/10 (148.7) feet along land of said Daley, Jennie L. Taylor and Second Baptist Church in Palmer to an iron pipe in line of land of George S. Nash, thence N. 46 degrees 6 minutes W. one hundred forty-six and 2/10 (146.2) feet along last named land to an iron pipe in the southeasterly side of said Knox street, thence along said Knox street N. 44 degrees 51 minutes E. one hundred forty-nine and 5/10 (149.5) feet to the place of beginning.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Your appearance and answer, as provided in Section 28 of chapter 228 of the Revised Laws, may be filed with James R. Wells, Assistant Recorder of said Court, at the Registry of Deeds at Springfield in said County of Hampden, with whom a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited.

Witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of December in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Attest with Seal of said Court.
(Seal)
CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

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Our January Sale of Domestic

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63x99 in.	85c	65c
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72x99 in.	90c	72c
81x90 in.	90c	72c

New Bedford Sheets

63x108 in.	\$1.37½	87½c
69x113 in.	\$2.25	\$1.50
90x117 in.	\$2.25	\$1.50
63x108 in., hemstitched	\$1.50	99c
72x108 in., hemstitched	\$1.62½	\$1.17

Percalé Sheets

63x99 in.	\$1.37½	99c
72x99 in.	\$1.62	\$1.14
72x108 in.	\$1.75	\$1.29
81x99 in.	\$1.75	\$1.29
90x99 in.	\$1.87½	\$1.39
90x108 in.	\$2.00	\$1.49
63x99 in., hemstitched	\$1.50	\$1.19
90x99 in., hemstitched	\$2.25	\$1.59

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63x99 in.	75c	62½c
63x108 in.	80c	69c
72x99 in.	75c	62½c
72x108 in.	80c	69c
81x99 in.	85c	75c
81x108 in.	82c	75c
90x99 in.	90c	79c
81x108 in.	\$1.00	85c
90x99 in.	\$1.00	85c
90x108 in.	\$1.15	98c

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36x38½ in.	20c	16c
36x40 in.	18c	15c
36x38½ in.	22c	18c

Fifth Avenue Cases

36x38½ in.	18c	15c
45x38½ in.	22½c	18c
48x38½ in.	38c	23c
50x38½ in.	35c	25c

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63 in.	30c	21c
72 in.	33c	25c
81 in.	35c	26c

Fruit of the Loom

42 in.	18c	13c
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New Bedford

42 in.	25c	18c
45 in.	30c	21c
81 in.	50c	37½c
90 in.	58c	40c

Pillow Tubing

42 in. Pequot	22c	17c
50 in. Continental	25c	18c

All Brown Cotton

2c Yard Less Than the Bleached

Sheets and Pillow Cases

Pequot Cases

	Regular Price	Sale Price
42x37½ in.	22c	15c

Keystone Cases

42 x 38½ in.	25c	18c
45x38½ in.	28c	20c

New Bedford Cases

42x38½ in.	35c	23c
45x38½ in.	37½c	25c
48x38½ in.	40c	27c
50x38½ in.	42c	29c
42x38½ in. hemstitched	37½c	27c
45x38½ in. hemstitched	42c	29c

Wamsutta Percalé Cases

42x38½ in.	35c	27c
45x38½ in.	40c	29c
48x38½ in.	42c	30c
42x38½ in., hemstitched	42c	32c
45x38½ in., hemstitched	45c	34c

Blankets

White and Gray Blankets in limited quantities—

	Regular Price	Sale Price
8 pairs 11-4, gray,	\$2.25	\$1.69
7 pairs 11-4, scarlet,	\$6.50	\$4.75
13 pairs 11-4, white,	\$3.00	\$2.25
33 pairs 11-4, white,	\$3.00	\$2.25
30 pairs 10-4, white,	\$6.00	\$4.50
15 pairs 10-4, white,	\$6.50	\$4.75
21 pairs 10-4, white,	\$6.00	\$4.50
14 pairs 11-4, white,	\$7.00	\$5.00
18 pairs 10-4, white,	75c	59c
14 pairs 10-4, white,	87½c	69c
22 pairs 11-4, white,	\$3.00	\$2.25
14 pairs 11-4, white,	\$3.50	\$2.59
6 pairs 11-4, white,	\$3.75	\$2.75

Union Huck Towels

100 dozen, 17x34,	19c	14c
100 dozen, 18x36,	19c	14c
100 dozen, 17x34,	19c	10c
50 dozen, 20x38,	22c	16c

Keystone Sheets

54x90 in.	75c	65c
54x99 in.	80c	68c
63x99 in.	85c	72c
63x108 in.	90c	79c
72x90 in.	85c	72c
72x99 in.	90c	79c
72x108 in.	\$1.00	85c
81x90 in.	90c	79c
81x99 in.	\$1.00	87c
81x108 in.	\$1.10	92c
90x99 in.	\$1.10	92c
90x108 in.	\$1.20	98c

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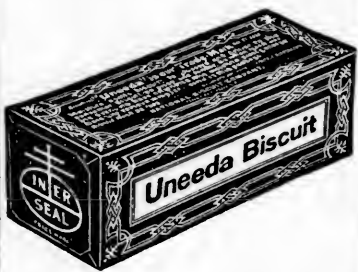
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What She Didn't Say.

The young man should have gone home an hour before, but he was still lingering and making conversation. The girl was desperate.

"Oh, I say, Miss Frances," he said, "would you rather say something and mean nothing than say nothing and mean something? We were discussing that this evening at dinner and left it undecided."

And the girl never said a word.—Lippincott's.

Would Like to See It.

"I done heard it read in de paper," said Uncle Raspberry, "dat some o' dese here tyin' machine gemmen says a man kin do anything a bird kin."

"That's what they say," said Aunt Chloe.

"Well, when any o' 'em sees a man sit fas' asleep, holdin' on to a tree branch wif his feet, I sho' wishes dey'd call me to have a look!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

Imagination.

"You don't care much for the dialect author?"

"No," admitted Mr. Rafferty. "But you must admit that he has imagination."

"He has. He goes right ahead imagining that an Irishman says 'Oh' instead of 'I' and 'phwat' instead of 'what.'"—Washington Star.

Her Belief.

"Do you," he asked, "believe in early marriage?"

"Well," she replied, "I used to, but I am willing to say that at present I believe 'better late than never' may be applied to marriage as well as to some other things."—Brooklyn Citizen.

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Boston Letter.

Special to the Journal.

Boston, January 4.—Not often does a political year open with such a ragged and unsatisfactory frame of mind as this year. This is due to the summary removal by the governor and council of Fred F. Walker, the commissioner of animal industry, and E. Gerry Brown, the supervisor of loan agencies. Here is a penalty of exceeding severity visited upon two prominent state officials. Such a course would seem to be justified only in case of downright wrong doing of heinous degree. The effect, unless these men can stem the current by heroic and expensive effort, must be to disgrace them permanently. This is the stigma put upon them by the governor and council. The published statement which was given out from the governor's office the morning after the removal was made, or, rather that very night, for it was about two o'clock in the morning before the newspaper men could go home and know that they had covered the meeting till action had been taken,—was exceedingly severe in language and unless the public hears the other side, it will damn each of these men for all his future. The governor gave them a terrific blow.

Many people are fully convinced that the facts do not justify such severity. Friends of each deposed official are absolutely confident of their honor. They also believe that they have full ability for the administration of the office. The future of each incident will doubtless be watched closely by the public. Walker has the cordial support of Representative Edward E. Chapman of Ludlow, the Master of the State Grange. He is also strongly indorsed by the agricultural interests of Western Massachusetts. Among the letters which he has received from that part of the state is a note from Dr. Henry E. Paige, the veterinarian at the agricultural college, saying that the farmers of that part of the state feel more confidence in the department than they have ever before, and that the commissioner was very efficient in stamping out the foot and mouth disease. It is Walker's policy regarding the recent epidemic which caused the trouble. Of course a great many people were much exasperated by the regulations he made to prevent the spread of the disease. But his justification is the short time within which the entire plague was stamped out and the saving of much money which would have been lost if stringent steps had not been taken. The governor charges the former commissioner with the use of a form of bill of sale, in making settlements for the cattle, which was illegal and a deception upon the cattle-owners. But Walker adopted it upon the strength of advice by the bureau of animal industry in Washington, which said that it was in force in other states and they thought he had better use it here. When its illegal form became known, it was discontinued. Walker's purpose was to protect the state treasury. There are many details of the business and some unpleasant inside matters, showing that Walker made enemies who have now got his scalp. But the end of the matter is not yet and it remains to be seen whether or not the governor and council are final victors.

Regarding Gerry Brown, the charge against him is that he administered his office too much in the interests of the money lenders, whereas the office was established for the protection of the borrowers. It is an absurd charge to be made, considering Brown's long course of sympathy with the working people. He never had a chance to know what was charged against him, by way of any formal statement. The unanimous vote of the Boston Central Labor Union yesterday, condemning the governor and council for their course, indicates how the labor people feel. Brown has yet to be heard in his own defense and it remains to be seen what are the forces which have succeeded in getting him out of office. Of course it is part of his duty to displease the unprincipled money-lenders who want to squeeze the poor borrowers as much as possible, and it is quite probable that this raid upon him has been made by them, under cover. There are plenty of men who want his job. But the public will do well to listen to the accused, both in the Brown case and in the Walker case.

At the same meeting at which the labor men condemned the governor, they went on record against biennial state elections. The labor interests have always been solid on that side and they were a prominent feature of the campaign in 1896 when biennials were defeated by a majority of 50,000. What brought about their action yesterday was the evident beginning of a movement again, supported by the Massachusetts state board of trade as executive committee and the Boston real estate exchange. It was a feature of the former campaign that business men, largely, were for less frequent elections, but the mass of the labor people solidly, the Democratic party officially, by declaration in the state platform, and many Republicans headed by George F. Hoar, John D. Long, Alanson W. Beard and Joseph

Walker, were against them. In other states, James G. Blaine of Maine and George F. Edmunds of Vermont were also for annuals, as the best support of popular government. A most interesting discussion of the subject is that in the May North American Review, by Governor Emmet O'Neal of Alabama, on distrust of legislatures, showing that the proposed remedies of that distrust, biennial and quadrennial elections and legislative sessions, have increased the very evils they were designed to prevent, and he favors return to the annual system for the states which have dropped it, as the best way of getting better legislatures and government.

This week comes the opening of the Legislature. Republicans will be in full control in both branches. The Democrats are much weaker than for the last two years. The Progressives have lost both of their two Senators, and their 17 representatives in the House last year have dropped to two this year. Thus the Progressive party is returning to the Republican fold and the prospects of the Democracy dwindle. In consequence of the brightening prospects of conservatism, there is talk of shortening the session and of putting restrictions upon the ways of doing business. But it is not necessary to cut down the right of petition which the people hold so dear. Nor is it at all necessary to give any committees power to pigeonhole any matter, as is proposed, for that would enable sharp practice to cut off some highly desirable petitions. The foolish stuff is neither so numerous or dangerous or obstructive of legislative progress as many people think. But it is also true that the public intelligence is so little developed on pioneer measures that a great deal of good legislation has been defeated for years before it could get a hearing. It is only necessary to mention the workmen's compensation law, the laws for factory sanitation, for the protection of the lives and limbs of employees, and the like, to make it evident that good legislation gets turned down persistently, as well as bad, and that the public had better be very slow in enabling a few sharp politicians to prevent the enactment of some highly desirable legislation.

If the Legislature will cut down the membership of committees and increase the number of committees, so that matters may be disposed of more rapidly, and then give its time decently to the business it was elected to do, the session will not scandalize any one by its length and the work will be better done. It is true that reforms are needed, but it is not difficult to point them out and the Legislature can get through in creditable season, with work well done, if it applies to public affairs the same principles the members apply to private business.

The Progressive party will hold, on Wednesday, the first swarming of its bee hive, the new secret order which is to perpetuate the party, and they will try to have some effect on legislation. But the life of the party, as such, seems to be ended. LONDON.

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A SCRAP OF PAPER

A Story For Thanksgiving.

By RUTH GRAHAM

Edward Olcott was convalescent, and the morning was a marvel of sunshine. There is a delicious feeling about first convalescence that I fancy is explainable from the contrast between suffering and the relief from suffering. It seemed to Olcott that he was never so well in his life, and yet it would have been well nigh impossible for him to get out of the invalid chair in which he had been wheeled to the glass inclosed porch of the hospital.

He had not been there long before an attendant dropped a newspaper in his lap. Unfolding it, he noticed some words written in pencil in a woman's hand on the margin. They read:

Dear Patient—I am very sorry for you. I hope you will get comfort from this paper, which I intend to put in the box at the terminal of the railroad for papers to go to the hospitals. I pity you especially being confined on account of illness when Thanksgiving is coming on. Cheer up! On next Thanksgiving day I trust you will be in condition to enjoy a fine Thanksgiving dinner.

This communication to an unknown dear patient was signed with two initials, E. A. The newspaper was a weekly issued at a place called Edgewater, some twenty miles from the city.

"That little note," said Olcott to himself, "was written by a girl. No one else would have signed her initials. The place in which she lives is made up of residences of well to do people. I question if in all there are 500 houses. I shall have no difficulty in discovering who E. A. is, and I propose to dine with her next Thanksgiving. I would do so this year but for the fact that there isn't time and I couldn't eat a Thanksgiving dinner."

Olcott was a young man of means. The reason why he was at a hospital instead of his own home was twofold—first, he was a bachelor, without a near relative, and, second, he had been recommended by his physician to go to a hospital as the most convenient place in which to be ill. Possibly in his convalescent state he was especially impressionable. Be that as it may, he read the paper that had been given him, conjuring up visions of the person who wrote the message on the margin. When he had finished the paper's perusal he tore off the message for preservation and future use.

Olcott was at an age when an appreciation for the pleasures of social life begins to lose its edge. When he was twenty he fancied that he was courted because of his attractiveness. Now that he was twenty-seven he had come to understand that he was courted principally for what his income represented. He had not lived at home since the death of his mother, when he was nineteen. His illness, during which he had been under the care of paid nurses, had made him sensible of what might be the tender solicitude of one who loved him. Sundry young ladies he had met in society had endeavored to make it appear to him that they appreciated him for himself, but he believed that any other man who could give them a home would do as well.

For these reasons he was attracted to this person who had a heart to take in an unknown person in a hospital from whom there was scarcely a possibility that she could derive any benefit.

She might possibly be old and homely, but he did not believe she was. At any rate, as soon as he was discharged from the hospital he proposed to hunt her up—that is, if she lived in Edgewater. If not, there was not much hope of finding her.

When the next Thanksgiving season came round Olcott had made the acquaintance of Miss Edith Arnold of Edgewater and had proved by securing a specimen of her handwriting that she was the person who had contributed the newspaper that he had read as a convalescent. There had been no great difficulty in this. All he had to do was to go to Edgewater, join a club there, consisting of young men and women, make the acquaintance of the residents and look out for a girl whose initials were E. A.

Miss Arnold was, as he had supposed, very young. She was barely eighteen. Olcott paid her a great deal of attention, at which she was naturally flattered. He discovered that her heart was as tender for the afflicted as he had supposed, and it was not long before he had won that heart for himself.

All this while he had the pencil message that he had torn from the newspaper in his portmanteau. But he said nothing about it to Miss Arnold, who supposed that their meeting had occurred by chance. Olcott had resolved when in the hospital that he would eat his next Thanksgiving dinner with her, and he was working up to that point. This, too, was very easy, for a few weeks before Thanksgiving he asked her to be his wife, and she accepted his proposition. Under the circumstances it was quite in order that he should be invited to take his Thanksgiving dinner at the Arnolds'. Toward its close he took from his portmanteau the scrap he had torn from the newspaper and passed it around the table. It was easily recognized as Edith's work. Then Olcott said:

"When ill in a hospital I tore this message of sympathy from a newspaper that fell into my hands. I vowed that I would eat my next Thanksgiving dinner with the writer, and I have kept my resolve."

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Semi-Annual Shoe Clearance—
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Springfield, Mass.

Offhand Courtship.

On the shores of the Moray firth—the spot need not be more specifically localized—there is a flourishing little village of some 1,400 inhabitants, consisting chiefly of fisher folk. The young man and maiden do not court in the orthodox fashion. Their method is much more prosaic, and what is characteristic of one case may generally be accepted as characteristic of them all. There is, of course, an occasional instance of genuine old fashioned courtship, but that is a rather rare exception.

"Mother," said one young man on his return from a successful herring fishing, "I'm goan to get merried." "Weel, Jeems, I think ye sh'd just gang an' ask yer cousin Marack." And as he had no particular preference he went straight away to ask her.

"Wull ye tak me, Marack?" was the brusque and businesslike query which he put to the young woman in the presence of her sister Bella.

But Mary had promised her hand to another that same evening. "I canna tak ye, Jeems," was her reply, and then, turning to her sister, "Tak ye 'im, Bella." And the sister took him.—Chambers' Journal.

A Glimpse of Whittier.

In Mary Thacher Higginson's "Life of Thomas Wentworth Higginson" is this sketch of Whittier as he appeared upon first acquaintance:

"I spent a day in Amesbury and saw Whittier. Dark, slender, bald, black haired, kind, calm, flashing eyed, keen, somewhat narrow, not commanding, but interesting. Evidently injured by politics, easily content with limited views, yet sympathetic and (probably) generous. Lives in an appropriate cottage, yet very simple. A queer compound of Yankee Quaker and Yankee hero and Yankee poet, the nationality everywhere. He would whittle, no doubt. But his eye gleamed with a soft, beautiful tenderness as he came to the door and remarked on the cold sunset sky. He lives with an odd Quaker dressed mother, who haunted the back room with knitting and spectacles."

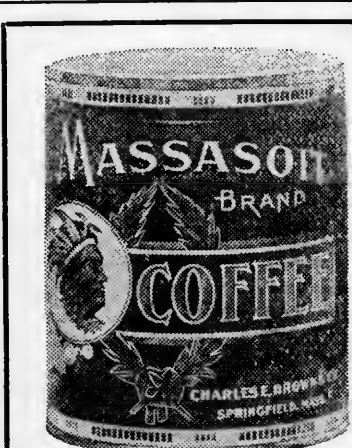
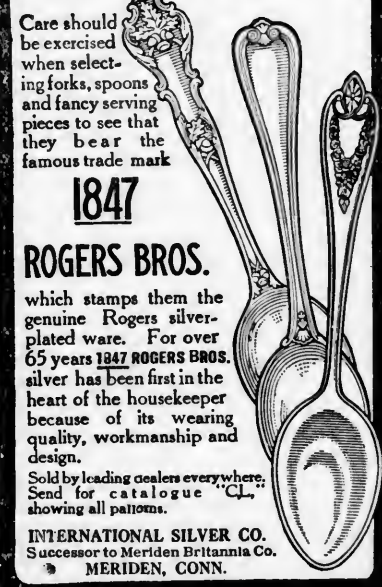
In the Market.

Agent—Have you become converted to life insurance yet? Prospective Risk—No, but I've got four companies bidding for me.—Philadelphia Ledger.

She Had.

Mrs. Emborg—Has Clara retained her own individuality since her marriage to Henry? Mrs. Watkins—Oh, yes, indeed—and Henry's too.—Judge.

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Church Debt Provided For.

Congregational Building Free Next December. Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church, held last Thursday evening in the church vestry, was attended by an unusually large number of the church members. The feature of the meeting was the report of the committee appointed some time ago to consider the matter of providing for the church debt, about \$2400. The committee reported that it had secured pledges, payable at various times between now and December 15, for all but \$344 of the debt, and in view of this the executive committee was instructed to take, at that date, so much of the bequest of the late Henry G. Loomis as would be necessary to wipe out the entire amount and leave the church free from debt.

For the last year all bills were reported paid. These officers were elected: Deacon for four years, Samuel H. Hellyar; clerk, Luther H. Gager; treasurer, Mrs. Marion I. Robinson; advisory committee, Mrs. Winifred W. Bodfish, Erford H. Corbin, Mrs. Anna L. Fuller, Mrs. Almenia M. Hastings, Mrs. Lucy A. Hitchcock; executive committee, Luther H. Gager, Willard C. Hitchcock, Charles F. Smith; missionary committee, Mrs. Winifred W. Bodfish, Mrs. Hattie J. Dalrymple, Mrs. Lucy A. Hitchcock; decorating committee, Julia A. Allen, Mollie Barton, Marjorie L. Buck, Mrs. Harriet E. Corbin, Mrs. Alice H. Fillmore, Mrs. Elsie J. Jones, A. Blanche LeGro, Edna R. Mason, Mrs. Lillie May Norman, Ardell M. Rich, Mrs. Bertha M. Royce; welcoming committee, Louis E. Chandler, Charles G. Fillmore, Fred C. Gamwell, Herbert L. Jones, George B. Loux, Samuel M. Phillips; auditor, Samuel H. Hellyar; ushers, Oliver P. Bearse, Harry Fillmore, Charles G. Fillmore, Fred C. Gamwell, Merrick W. Hellyar, Roger C. Holden, Harold F. Jameson, George B. Loux, Clarence L. Rice, Merrill Simonds, Ralph M. Sizer, Edwin H. Swann; visiting committee, Mrs. Luella H. Backus, Mrs. Abbie L. Hart, Mrs. Almenia Hastings, Mrs. Bessie F. Laird, Mrs. Eva H. Phillips, Mrs. Alter D. Ramsden, Carrie E. Roper, Mrs. Flora E. Hitchcock; superintendent of Sunday school, Theodore A. Norman; assistant superintendent, Burtus J. Whittemore; superintendent of junior department, Mrs. Abbie M. Wing; superintendent of home department, Mrs. Hattie J. Dalrymple; secretary and treasurer of Sunday school, Oliver P. Bearse; assistant secretary and treasurer, George B. Loux; librarian, Mollie Barton; assistant librarian, Mollie Barton.

Thompson—Sedgwick.

A pretty wedding took place Monday evening at the home of Fred D. Thompson on Chestnut street, when his youngest daughter, Olive Freeman, was united in marriage to Dr. Willard E. Sedgwick. Rev. Otto S. Raspe of St. Paul's Universalist church performed the ceremony, which took place in a bower of palms and roses, the double ring service being used. The couple were unattended, and only relatives were present. The bride is well known in Palmer, having been graduated from the Palmer high school in 1912, and since that time has been employed in the Palmer National Bank. The groom is a graduate of Tufts College dental school, and is in practice in Palmer. After a short trip Dr. and Mrs. Sedgwick will reside at 12 Pleasant street.

F. L. Jones of Park street went Monday to Ludlow to install the officers of Ludlow Grange; he was assisted by Mrs. Jones.

These officers have been elected by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church: President, Mrs. James Summers; vice president, Mrs. L. W. Parkhurst; secretary, Mrs. M. S. French; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Royce.

The Couhonelo Campfire Girls met Tuesday evening in the Congregational church and gave a supper to the Y. M. C. A. Scouts, after which all adjourned to the Squier street hill for moonlight coasting.

Republican Caucus Next Week.

Effort to Hold It in Depot Village; No Available Place.

The Republican town committee met Saturday evening and organized for the coming year as follows: Chairman, Everett W. Carpenter; secretary, Louis E. Chandler; treasurer, John O. Hamilton.

It was voted to hold the caucus for the nomination of town officers on the evening of Thursday, January 21, and to place on the caucus ballot any name which was presented with the endorsement of five voters, regardless of political affiliation on either side. Names must be in the hands of some member of the town committee by 8 o'clock on the evening of Monday, the 11th.

It was also voted to hold the caucus in the Depot village as an experiment. The reason for this change from the custom of all time is that about 60 per cent of the Republican voters are located in that precinct; previously all voters have been inconvenienced to some extent by being compelled to journey to the town house to the caucus; it was believed by the committee that those in the other villages would as soon ride to Palmer on an electric car as to the town house, and to accommodate the largest possible number of party voters it was decided to try the innovation this year, at least. Accordingly the selectmen, who by law are required to provide a place for the holding of caucuses, were asked to furnish the old district court room or some other suitable place in the Depot Village. It was found that the court room could not be hired, and as there seemed no other suitable place the committee, after consultation with the selectmen, has decided to use the town house again this year.

Assessor J. P. Shea Resigns.

The assessors held a meeting yesterday and accepted the resignation of John F. Shea of Bondsville, who leaves the board because of having been appointed postmaster in that village. The name of W. C. Hitchcock has been prominently mentioned for the vacancy. Mr. Hitchcock has been suggested as a member of the school board to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from town of J. C. Sullivan, but without any authorization from him. While Mr. Hitchcock is not a seeker of the position of assessor, it is understood that he is willing to serve if elected. His selection would be as near ideal as it is possible to attain. He is without local business connections to influence his decisions, and his previous business experience makes him a valuable man for the work.

Given Farewell Dinner.

Members of the Kamp Kumbort Klub gave Dr. W. E. Sedgwick, one of their members, who was married on Monday, a farewell dinner at the Converse House last Thursday evening. Landlord Dawson provided an elaborate menu, a feature of which was ice cream served in the shape of canoes with the letters K. K. K. on the side in red. Robert J. Wilder acted as toastmaster, and there were 12 members present. After the speeches R. R. Paine presented Dr. Sedgwick with an electric drop reading lamp. The club adjourned to the rooms of the Palmer Business and Social Club after the banquet.

Week of Prayer Meetings.

The week of prayer is being observed this week. Tuesday evening services were held in the Baptist church, in charge of Rev. Eric Allen of the Congregational church; last evening the service was in the Congregational church, in charge of Rev. Otto S. Raspe of St. Paul's Universalist church; the meeting this evening, which will be the last of the series, will be in the Universalist church, in charge of Rev. J. H. Palmer of the Baptist church. Rev. H. E. Thayer of Springfield will be present and give an address.

Palmer Boy Third Alternate.

Congressman Calvin D. Paige of the third congressional district has nominated as principal nominee and alternates for admission to the United States Naval Academy as midshipmen, for examinations to be taken the third Tuesday in February, the following: Principal candidate, William Cecil Vose of Fitchburg; first alternate, Stanley Ward Rich of Spencer; second alternate, Albin Clifford Johnson of Orange; third alternate, Chester W. Burgess of Palmer.

A regular meeting of Tockwotton tribe of Red Men will be held next Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holbrook of North Main street spent the week-end with Fitchburg friends.

The Mission Circle of St. Paul's church will meet with Mrs. A. H. Parker on Central street Monday evening at 7.30. Watchword, "New Year's Sentiment."

Miss Margaret King of Squier street, with John Fitzgerald of Ware were awarded first prize at a prize waltz in the Ware town hall last Saturday night. An exhibition of new dancing steps by Earl Morgan of Palmer and Miss Katherine Saunders of Springfield which was scheduled, was postponed because of the illness of Miss Saunders.

Return From Hunting Trip.

Dr. Silas B. Keith Had Most Enjoyable Sport in the South.

Dr. Keith returned from his hunting trip in North and South Carolina on Monday. He reports the best of hunting in North Carolina, and the poorest of luck in South Carolina, due to rain. It rained eight of the eleven days of his stay in Greenville. He brought back with him 50 or more ducks, geese and brant, which he killed in Pamlico Sound off the coast of North Carolina, and could have killed many more geese if he had so wished.

Dr. Keith describes his trip as an ideal trip for any hunter. Going by train to New York, then over the Old Dominion line to Norfolk to Oriental, N. C., by train. The sportsmen met there by William Gaskill, who takes them to Beacon Island, a distance of 55 miles, in a 30 foot power boat. Beacon Island contains about four acres of land and is leased by Mr. Gaskill, who catered to the wants of the sportsmen. He has been in the business for 23 years and is the best posted man on water fowl on the Atlantic coast. He has on the island a modern 7-room bungalow, and about 50 live geese decoy, which he rightly calls "Benedict Arnolds." For miles around the island is the natural feeding ground for the thousands of ducks, geese and brant. The depth of water in many places is only three or four feet, the bottom being covered with a tender grass which the water fowl like to feed upon.

"There are several methods of goose shooting, one employed by the market shooter called flock shooting, and another used by true sportsmen called battery box shooting. A battery is shaped like and is about the size of a coffin, with about four-foot flanges around it to keep it from rocking. The box is taken out on some feeding ground two or three miles from the island. The shooter stays in the box on his back, iron decoys are placed around the edge of the box to weight it flush with water; then they place around the box on the water 75 or 100 wooden decoy geese and duck and three or four live decoy geese. The helper then goes to the leeward 400 or 500 yards to pick up the dead game and rescue the shooter if the battery box sinks. Some of the geese and duck flying past come into the decoy, when the hunter sits up and shoots. Judging distance on the water is hard, and as many of the ducks are flying from 60 to 80 miles per hour it takes some skill to bring them down. From 15 to 20 killed from a battery box in a day is called an average day's kill. Dr. Keith and his party only tried once at flock shooting. The night they arrived in camp Gaskill took five live geese decoy and tied them on the beach back of the bungalow. During the night a large number came in to the decoys. Before morning everybody was awake from the honking of geese. Just before daybreak Gaskill told us to dress, not to light even a match, and make no noise. Dr. Warren commenced by falling over a chair. We took our guns and crawled on our hands and knees to the blind near where the decoys were. We were told to stand up and when the flock flew to shoot, but to wait until they did fly so as not to shoot the decoys. As we came to our feet, with a roar of wings they were up. And the three of us shot. When the boat picked up the dead ones we found we had killed 23 geese. There was very little sport in that kind of shooting, and we at once gave up flock shooting. In five days of shooting three of us killed 104 geese, 86 brant and 136 ducks, not considered by Mr. Gaskill as a very big bag, but considered by ourselves as enough, and we were well satisfied with our trip, for we expect to go another year."

Tuesday Club's Lohengrin Meeting.

The Woman's Tuesday Club held its regular meeting Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. S. H. Hellyar of Squier street, with a number of invited guests present. The topic for the afternoon was "Lohengrin," and an interesting paper was read by Mrs. Anna Fuller. Mrs. Eric Allen sang two selections and Mrs. Carsley rendered two instrumental selections. Mrs. Carsley and Miss Frances Chandler also playing a duet. Light refreshments were served after the conclusion of the program. The club will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. G. E. Buck on North Main street.

Mrs. Clarence Bennett of New Britain, Ct., is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Hellyar of Squier street.

Palmer Grange officers will be installed to-morrow evening. The installing officer will be C. D. Richardson of West Brookfield.

The next entertainment in the lyceum course will be next Tuesday evening in the opera house, Miss Lucille Adams, impersonator.

The sum resulting from the sale of Red Cross stamps in Palmer during the Christmas holidays amounted to \$28. Of this sum the Heweha Campfire Girls made \$20.

The report that the manager of the opera house, C. H. Babcock, had refused to let the firemen have the opera house for their annual ball, is incorrect. He offered to arrange a date, but was later notified that the ball would be omitted this year for other reasons.

Arrested For Forgery.

Had Worked in Belchertown. Caught in Northampton.

Clarence Holmes of Belchertown was arrested at the Northampton station last Friday by Officer Ruddy on the suspicion of his having forged a check with the name of his employer, W. A. Sauer of Belchertown, and for writing a check on a bank in Winchester, N. H., when he had no money deposited there. He was arraigned in the district court, where he pleaded not guilty and was held in the sum of \$300 on the forgery charge and in the sum of \$200 for the charge of larceny, for a hearing Tuesday, when he changed his plea to guilty. State Detective Nelligan has found, upon looking up his past record, that Holmes is a deserter from the U. S. army, that he has served 10 months in the state prison at Ossining, N. J., and that he has operated in Springfield under the name of Henry J. Prescott.

Woman's Club Pleasing Program.

The Palmer Woman's Club held a most pleasing meeting last Friday afternoon in Masonic Hall, with an unusually large attendance. The program was a musical one, in charge of Mrs. S. R. Carsley, the artists being Miss Lucy B. Woodward of Hartford, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Knapp of Holyoke. The program was:

"Polonaise in E."	Distz
Miss Lucy B. Woodward	B. Godard
"Florians Song."	Mr. Ralph Knapp
"The Little Dutch Garden."	C. Manson Marks
Mrs. Ralph Knapp	Chopin
Etude Op. 10 No. 12	"
Etude Op. 10 No. 3	"
Etude Op. 25 No. 7	"
Etude Op. 25 No. 9	"
Miss Woodward	Buck
Duet—"Dews of the Summer Night."	Mr. and Mrs. Knapp
Mr. and Mrs. Knapp	J. W. Metcalf
"Until You Came."	Mrs. Knapp
"Be Thou Faithful Unto Death."	From St. Paul
Mr. Knapp	"

After the program there was a social hour, tea being served under the direction of Mrs. L. E. Chandler.

Can Also Issue Cattle Moving Permits.

Charles H. Keith of Park street, local cattle inspector, has been empowered to issue permits to move cattle over the highways of the town for breeding purposes only. The strict quarantine which has existed for some time has been relaxed to the extent that permits may be obtained from local inspectors instead of sending to Boston for them. Permits in Palmer may be secured from Mr. Keith or Dr. Davitt.

Contract For Town Reports.

The selectmen have awarded the contract for printing the town reports to the Journal office. The town accountant will this year prepare all figures in the financial statement. The selectmen have notified heads of departments that if they wish to make any statement in addition to the figures they must get their copy to the Journal office not later than Tuesday of next week.

Business Club's Annual Meeting.

The regular monthly meeting of the Palmer Business and Social Club will be held next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock, when a proposed change in the by-laws, reducing the membership age from 21 to 20 years, will be acted upon. The annual meeting of the club will be held next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. A buffet lunch will be served after this meeting.

Sam'l Brooks is holding an inventory sale of his stock of clothing and furnishings, which will continue for a few days.

The store in the Converse House block, recently vacated by S. H. Hellyar, is being remodeled into a Spa, which will be conducted by John B. Dawson in connection with the Converse House, of which he is proprietor.

At the annual Christmas supper of St. Paul's Universalist Sunday school last Friday evening John W. Branford of Willow street was presented with a loving cup by the Sunday school in recognition of his record of perfect attendance for 10 years at both Sunday school and church.

The Democratic town committee has organized with John P. O'Connor chairman, Richard F. Donovan secretary and Patrick C. Daley treasurer. The caucus will be held on the evening of Tuesday the 19th. Any name endorsed by five Democratic voters will be placed on the caucus ballot, and must be in the hands of some member of the town committee by 8 o'clock on the evening of Saturday, the 16th.

The Heweha Campfire Girls met Tuesday evening at the home of Marion Albro in Bondsville. The regular monthly business meeting took place, after which the girls made plans for the coming "hike" week. Next Monday evening the girls are to assemble at Marion Albro's at 7.30; each girl is to invite some young man and all will go coasting or skating, and adjourn for a "Spread" at the Albro home later in the evening.

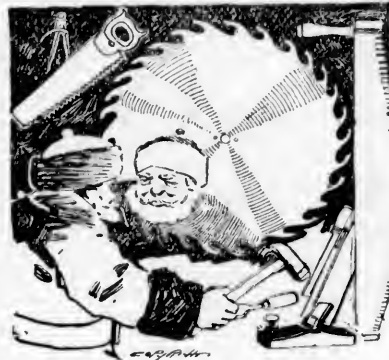
The annual meeting of St. Paul's Universalist parish was held Tuesday evening and these officers elected: Clerk, A. H. Parker; treasurer, C. E. Fish; standing committee, H. W. Holbrook, Dr. S. B. Keith, E. C. Gould, S. W. Lyon, J. G. Butts, L. R. Holden, music committee, Mrs. J. G. Butts, Mrs. Ida Randlett; delegates to state convention, Mrs. F. N. Carpenter, Mrs. C. E. Fish; alternates, Mrs. L. R. Holden, Mrs. J. C. Green.

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WANTED—Hens, calves, and cows. Will
pay good price. Notify by postal card.
51-11 E. GOLDBERG, Three Rivers.
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general office work; 6 years' experience;
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Palmer and district soliciting Old Paper,
Magazines, Clothes, Rags, Shoes, Furniture,
etc. A postal card or phone will bring the
team to your door. Phone, 208-2. Our
address, 32 PLEASANT STREET.
WE have shipped an Upright Piano to a
party in Palmer, who paid \$100 on it.
Through some unfortunate circumstances,
cannot pay the balance. Before we take it
back call and see us about paying
the balance (\$100) on it. GIBBS PIANO
CO., 71 Main St., Springfield. 30 years in one
location.
MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS.—We have a
large stock of musical instruments of
all kinds purchased recently at a New York
Sheriff sale. Violins, Mandolins, Guitars,
Banjos, Cornets, Clarinets, Accordions, etc.,
at just quarter the regular price. GIBBS
PIANO CO., 71 Main St., Springfield, evenings.
30 years in one location.

The Annual Meeting
Of the incorporators of the Palmer Savings
Bank for the choice of officers and the trans-
action of such other business as may legally
come before said meeting, will be held at
their banking rooms on Monday, the 11th
day of January, 1915, at 2 o'clock p. m.
C. A. TABOR, Clerk.
Palmer, Mass., Dec. 30, 1914.

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NOTICE is hereby given under Chapter 100
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resident of the town of Palmer, has applied
for a transfer of the 1th class license to sell
intoxicating liquors as a Druggist, from the
John F. and Bessie M. Murphy building on
the westerly side of Commercial street, in
the village of Thorndike, to the Exchange
Block, owned by Huxley & Bond, on the easterly
side of Commercial street, corner of
Main, a two-story frame building, bounded
on the southerly side by the property of
Geo. D. Moore, Store is on the ground floor
on Commercial street, and one floor up on
Main street.
HARRY HALEY,
Chairman Board License Commissioners.

Announcement
After a period of several months' cess-
ation from business, I shall
now be glad to have my former
patrons call again.
I have a few switches left
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while they last. Those formerly
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\$4; formerly \$4, now \$2.
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Body, 5-passenger
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Power Plant, Unit
Cylinders, Cast en bloc
Bore and Stroke, 3 1/2 by 4 1/2
S. A. E. Rating, 24.22 h. p.
Piston Displacement, 200.4 cu. in.
Magneto, Eisman, h. t.
Tires, 32 by 3 1/2 in.
Rims, Demountable
Equipment: Ventilating and rain
vision windshield, one man top
and slip cover, electric horn,
electric lights, Jones speedom-
eter, Willard battery, robe rail,
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Wire Mill District.
Arthur Fortier spent New Year's
day with his parents in Globe Village.
Miss Lillian Laford is substituting
as stenographer for the Chapman
Valve Company at Indian Orchard.
Mrs. J. Hearn and children, who
have been visiting friends in Worcester,
returned the latter part of the
week.
Miss Lena Bruce and daughter, who
have been visiting Mr. and Mrs.
Thomas Bruce, have returned to their
home in Willimantic, Ct.
Mr. and Mrs. John Disley enter-
tained over Sunday Miss Lapan of
Holyoke, Mr. Riel of Thorndike, and
Miss Reil, a cousin of Mrs. Disley's,
from New York.
E. Mullen, employed by the Wright
Wire Company, was struck last week
Wednesday evening by an automobile
on North Main street and is still un-
able to work, although not seriously
hurt.
Cromwell's Seal.
The seal of Oliver Cromwell, now in
the possession of a prominent family
in Wales, is a plain, gold mounted co-
rundum stone five-eighths of an inch
in diameter. It dates from 1653 and
was used on several of Cromwell's
deeds. All the Lord's prayer is en-
graved on it.—London Globe.

A Suitable Tablet.
"What sort of tablet shall we erect
over your grave when you are gone?"
they asked of the dying man.
"Well," said the cheerful victim of
stomach trouble, "I think a dyspepsia
tablet would be the most appropriate."
—Harper's Bazar.

High School Notes.
By Roger C. Holden, '15
Richard Twiss '17 has returned to
school after a long illness.
Beatrice Monroe has returned to
school after a long and severe illness.
The lowest mark in the last German
test was 85 per cent. The average was
88.
New blackboards have been placed
in Miss Clark's and Mr. Kiley's rooms
during the vacation.
Palmer will play Wilbraham Acad-
emy at basketball in Wilbraham to-
morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.
The recitations of the Senior chem-
istry class have been extended to cover
two periods instead of only one.
James Royce, '15, has been absent a
part of the week on account of sick-
ness, as has also Ellen Sayles, '15.
Chester Burgess '14, Leslie Cameron
'14, William Collins '14, and Raymond
Wilder '13, visited school Monday
morning.
Eleanor Casey, a member of the
class of 1916, has returned to school.
All the members of this class have
now returned but one.
The teachers held their regular
monthly meeting Tuesday afternoon
to make out the department marks for
the month of December.
Messrs. Raymond A. Dumphy and
Leon A. Caron, students in the Uni-
versity of Pittsburg, were visitors in
the school Monday morning.
The question committee of the
Forum has posted questions from
which one is to be selected for the first
public debate, which will be Jan. 15.
The boys held basketball practice
Monday afternoon. The squad was
the smallest of the season. The boys
were a little more earnest in their
work, due probably to their recent
defeat.
The lack of facilities for disposing
of wraps, which has existed ever since
the drawing room was installed, has
been overcome during vacation by a
row of hooks the entire length of the
corridor.
The girls held basketball practice
Monday afternoon in Three Rivers.
After the girls had practiced basket-
shooting a short time, the under-class
girls defeated the Seniors in a game.
There was a fairly large attendance.
Edna Richards '15, Margaret Mc-
Kenzie '15, Michael Cavanaugh '15
and Roland Dennis '15, have passed
the Remington award test and have
secured pennants in acknowledgment
of it.
A new plan has been adopted in the
commercial course for the Junior and
Senior monthly assemblies whereby,
instead of a talk by one person upon a
commercial subject, six or seven pupils
talk each three minutes on current
events.
Conditions for handling the history
reference books have been greatly im-
proved in the office through the vaca-
tion. A wide shelf has been built a
quarter of the way around the room
which greatly simplifies the finding of
books.
Graduates of this school seem to find
some difficulty in understanding oral
French in higher schools, and to rem-
edy this deficiency Principal Hurley
has decided to hold an optative class
in French conversation to meet every
Tuesday afternoon. Nothing but
French may be spoken in the course
of the period. The first meeting was
held Tuesday, and a large percentage
of the French students attended.
Principal Hurley passed out on
Tuesday a detailed schedule of the
proposed Washington trip, as ar-
ranged by the Marsters Tour people.
The price will be \$31 each. On Wed-
nesday he explained the trip, stating
that a Marsters man would be with the
party in each city to show them around.
Information as to hotels will be ob-
tained later. The trip will be taken
in conjunction with the Ware high
school if possible.
The names of the speakers for the
Junior English assemblies for the rest
of the year have been posted as
follows: January 8, Grace Ross; 15,
Thelma Keith; 22, Helen Newbury;
29, Alice Smith; February 5, Bernard
Loftus; 12, Mary Botwell; 19, Leora
Smith; 26, Sibyl Marey; March 12,
Stanley Jorek; 19, Ralph Warriner;
26, Myrtle McVicker; April 2, Ardell
Rich; 9, Phyllis Greene; 16, Milton
Willis; 23, Joanna Sugrue; May 7,
John Moriarty.
The basketball team met a crushing
defeat at the hands of the Northampton
High School last week Wednesday.
The Palmers were outclassed in every
department of the game. The North-
ampton passing was remarkably sure
and accurate. The Palmers were un-
fortunately crippled by the absence of
two of the regulars, Magee and Martin;
regular Albro nor Monat played their
regular game and were rather out of
form in their basket shooting, due to a
week's lack of practice. The boys put
up the best fight possible but it was a
hopeless struggle. The boys hope to
give Northampton a better contest
when they come here for a return
game. The lineup:
Northampton. Palmer.
Sias, l f Holden, Loyn, Farrell
Readio, Mathews, r f 1 b Brosnan
Foxon, c 1 b Monat
Huxley, Keough, l b r f Keefe
Dunn, r b 1 b Albro
Score, Northampton 81, Palmer 7; baskets
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Palmer News.
Joint Installation.
Of W. R. C. and S. of V. Officers Last
Evening, Memorial Hall.
The Woman's Relief Corps and Sons
of Veterans had a joint installation of
officers last evening in Memorial Hall.
There was a large attendance of invited
guests, and after the installation there
was a social and refreshments were
served. The installing officer for the
Corps was Department I. & I. Officer
Mrs. Lillian E. Parkhurst, assisted by
Mrs. Charlotte Randlett as conductor.
The Corps officers are as follows: Presi-
dent, Mrs. Bertha B. Carpenter; senior
vice president, Miss Angie Johnson;
junior vice president, Mrs. Edith
Smith; secretary, Mrs. Lavinia E.
Carpenter; treasurer, Mrs. Marion I.
Robinson; chaplain, Mrs. L. Augusta
Thompson; conductor, Mrs. Mabel T.
Mahoney; guard, Mrs. Winifred L.
Kempston; assistant conductor, Mrs.
Ada W. French; assistant guard, Mrs.
Louise Hobbs; patriotic instructor,
Mrs. Lena B. Buffington; press corre-
spondent, Mrs. Effie Freeman; musi-
cian, Mrs. Lillian E. Parkhurst; color
bearer No. 1, Mrs. Elsie Marey; No. 2,
Mrs. Alice Gale; No. 3, Miss Esther
Calkins; No. 4, Miss Alice Collins.
The installing officer for the Sons
of Veterans was Edward Emerson of
Springfield, assisted by George Pratt of
Monson. The officers are as follows:
Commander, Bert S. Collis; senior
vice commander, F. E. Ryder; junior
vice commander, S. K. Dimock; camp
council, F. W. Simonds, F. E.
Hobbs, Alphonse Abare; treasurer,
C. W. Robinson; secretary, Fred
Collis; guide, Burton Rose; color
bearer, John Simonds; patriotic in-
structor, George Horan; inside guard,
C. W. Canterbury; outside guard,
George Canterbury; chaplain, James
Clark.

Fred Thompson of Chestnut street
starts to-morrow for a trip to Isle of
Pines, Cuba, and back through
Florida.
Mr. and Mrs. Otto A. Butts of Con-
cord, N. H., on their way home
from a honeymoon trip, were guests
the latter part of last week of Mr. and
Mrs. J. G. Butts of Park street.
Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern
Star, will hold a public installation
of officers next Wednesday evening.
The installing officer will be Past
Grand Matron Mrs. Leona Gowdy of
Westfield, assisted by Past Grand
Marshall Mrs. Nellie Connor of Spring-
field. The ceremonies will be open to
Masons and their families and invited
guests.
The annual business meeting of the
Universalist church last Thursday eve-
ning resulted in the election of the fol-
lowing officers: Clerk, Mrs. Ellen S.
Leach; board of trustees, H. W. Hol-
brook, Dr. S. B. Keith, E. C. Gould;
treasurer, Rexford R. Paine; auditor,
Charles E. Fish. The meeting ad-
journd until the 14th, when the annual
supper and roll call will be held.

The annual business meeting and
roll call of the Advent Christian church
was held last week Wednesday in the
church on Park street. The roll call
was responded to with testimony by
the members present, and at the busi-
ness meeting the following officers
were elected: Moderator, A. O. Anoney;
deacons, A. O. Anoney, E. F.
Randlett, O. C. Lyon; deaconesses,
Nellie Anoney, A. Clara Christenson,
Hattie Cole; clerk, Elsie M. Anoney;
treasurer, A. C. Christensen; trustees,
Paul Christensen, A. J. Thompson,
L. E. Baker; auditor, E. M. Anoney.

Wire Mill District.
Arthur Fortier spent New Year's
day with his parents in Globe Village.
Miss Lillian Laford is substituting
as stenographer for the Chapman
Valve Company at Indian Orchard.
Mrs. J. Hearn and children, who
have been visiting friends in Worcester,
returned the latter part of the
week.
Miss Lena Bruce and daughter, who
have been visiting Mr. and Mrs.
Thomas Bruce, have returned to their
home in Willimantic, Ct.
Mr. and Mrs. John Disley enter-
tained over Sunday Miss Lapan of
Holyoke, Mr. Riel of Thorndike, and
Miss Reil, a cousin of Mrs. Disley's,
from New York.
E. Mullen, employed by the Wright
Wire Company, was struck last week
Wednesday evening by an automobile
on North Main street and is still un-
able to work, although not seriously
hurt.

War Bread of Soldiers.
The commissary departments of the
armies of Europe in supplying "war
bread" to troops have sought to give
to the men a bread ration of the high-
est nutritive value as well as of the
highest degree of palatability. The
war bread is not the bread which is
regularly baked in the field bakeries
for issue and consumption within the
customary time, but is bread that is
issued to troops to be eaten when fresh
bread cannot be had.
The war bread of the German soldier
is made of wheat flour, potato flour,
rice, eggs, milk yeast and salt and is
flavored with cinnamon and nutmeg.
The war bread of the Austrian sol-
dier is made of wheat flour, potato
flour, eggs, milk, yeast and salt and is
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The war bread of the Belgian army is
made of wheat flour, sugar and eggs.
The war bread of the French soldier is
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Our lease soon expires, and before we move, we are determined to dispose of every single garment, every last piece of wearing apparel that we have in our store. Nothing, in other words, will be carried from the old store to the new.
We need your co-operation to do this, and we propose to gain it by offering you such wonderful values and such tremendous savings in reliable stylish apparel, that you will be eager to join with us in this grand opportunity event.
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Coats—Our Entire Stock of Women's and Misses' Coats at Removal Sale Prices
Over 600 Warm Winter Coats to choose from.
COATS Formerly up to \$15 **\$5**
A quick clearance group of Odd Coats in Wool Mixtures and Novelty mate-rials—wonderful bargains.
COATS Formerly UP to \$18.50 **\$7.50 and \$10**
Smart Winter Coats of Astrachan, Hindu Lynx, Zibeline, Mannish Mixtures, Chinchilla, etc.—splendid values.
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Stylish Warm Coats of Zibeline, Hindu Lynx, Boucle, Arabian Lamb, Chinchilla, White Boucle, etc.—majority are full-lined.
FINE BLACK COATS At Removal Prices
Broadcloth and Poplin Coats. Formerly up to \$20, **\$12.50**
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A few Coats that sold as high as \$30, **\$17.50**

Suits—Our Removal Demands a Sacrifice Clearance of Every Suit in Stock.
Women's and Misses Suits, \$5.00
That Formerly Sold as High as \$18.50
A quick Clearance Group of Fall and Winter Suits in Serge, Cheviot, Wool Diagonal and Basket Cloth.
SUITS Formerly Up to \$20 **\$7.50**
Suits in Cheviot, Serge and Diagonal—Medium and Long Coat Models.
SUITS Formerly UP to \$32.50 **\$15**
Stunning Suits of Fine Gabardine, Poplin and Broadcloth in Women's, Misses' and Extra Sizes.
SUITS Formerly up to \$27.50 **\$10 and \$12.50**
About 50 Suits in Gabardine, Broadcloth and Serge—Many Small Models.
SUITS Formerly UP to \$40 **\$17.50 to \$19.50**
Distinctive Suits from our higher grade lines—mostly one of a kind.

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Voile and Lingerie Waists. For-
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Thorndike Three Rivers Bondsville

Many items of interest from
these busy villages.

THORNDIKE.

Charles Osborne of the Forest Lake district is ill with pneumonia.

Miss Nola Cavanaugh entertained Warren friends at her home over Sunday.

The schools in the village opened again on Monday after the holiday vacation.

Daniel Brosnahan has resigned his position at the Boston and Albany station.

Daniel Sugre and family have moved to their newly acquired home on Commercial street.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church will be held next Thursday evening.

A new boot and shoe repair shop has been opened in Reil's building on Commercial street.

There will be another basketball game on Saturday evening at Union Hall, Thorndike vs. Monson.

Mrs. J. F. Luman and son passed the New Year holiday with her daughter, Mrs. E. Sullivan of Springfield.

James McAuley has resumed his work at the Boston and Albany crossing and at the station, after a vacation.

Mrs. Hannah Crimmins, an old and respected resident, is quite ill at the home of her daughter on Main street.

Mrs. E. M. Shiels returned Saturday from a visit with her brother, E. J. Kelley of New York, formerly of Thorndike.

Mrs. Mary Woods is a patient at the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer as the result of a fall which she suffered a few days ago.

Mrs. Francis Andrews and grandson have returned from a visit in Baldwinville with Mrs. Andrews' sister, Mrs. Bertha Houghton.

P. E. Rudden, proprietor of the Thorndike Pharmacy, is to move from the Murphy building to the Exchange block on Commercial street.

Fred Reil, who nearly severed the little toe of the left foot while chopping wood some days ago, was able to resume work again this week.

The funeral of Edward Brow was held Saturday morning from the home of his parents. A mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Anne's church by the pastor, Rev. Fr. Geoffroy; burial was in St. Anne's cemetery.

Next Sunday morning Rev. J. E. Enman will preach on "The Conscious Endeavor to Please God," Sunday school at noon. At 7 o'clock Mr. Enman will exchange with Rev. T. C. Martin of Bondsville.

THREE RIVERS.

Robert Cole of Anderson avenue has returned from a visit with friends in Boston.

Mrs. Mary Swain, who has been ill at her home on Springfield street, has recovered.

Mrs. Arthur Grise has returned from a visit with her sons, Arthur and Alphonse, in Lenox.

Mrs. J. J. Foley has returned to her home on Springfield street after a visit with relatives in Worcester.

Earl Paine of the U. S. S. Texas, formerly of this place, was the guest of friends here Saturday.

Miss Grace Walsh has returned to her position, as teacher in grade five after a vacation of ten days.

Miss Pearl Kaplan has returned to her home on Main street after a visit with relatives in New York city.

Mathew Horgan of Holyoke was the week end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Horgan of Main street.

Miss Ethel Turkington of Anderson avenue has returned from a visit with Miss Marion Anderson of Springfield.

Miss Sarah Bothwell of Palmer street has returned to the Westfield Normal School, after the holiday vacation.

Miss Nellie Conroy of Springfield was the Sunday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Conroy of High street.

Miss Luna Whitlock returned the first of the week from Manchester, N. H., where she spent the holiday vacation.

Mrs. Pembroke Pierce and two children have returned to their home after a month's visit with relatives in New York.

Mrs. Napoleon Ouimette and daughters Irene and Alice of Main street returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in Providence.

John Hartnett, who has been spending his vacation at the home of his parents, has resumed his studies at the Boston School of Pharmacy.

A. Hiedel of Gilbertville was the Sunday guest of his sisters, Mrs. Charles Tannebring and Mrs. P. C. Dailey, both of Springfield street.

Chester Tannebring has returned to his studies at Tufts Dental College, after having spent his holiday vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tannebring of Springfield street.

At the Idle Hour Palace to-night will be shown the second episode of "The Trey of Hearts," "The Perils of Pauline" in two parts, and one reel of comedy. Saturday evening "The Million Dollar Mystery," "The Mutual Girl," and two reels of comedy.

BONDVILLE.

Miss Marion Davis of Thorndike was a guest Saturday of Miss Gladys Morse.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Carcy of Lowell have been visiting her father, E. G. Childs.

Miss Luella Thayer of Thorndike was a guest Thursday of Miss Marion Albrow.

J. Laurence Martin returned Sunday from a week's vacation with friends in West Quincy.

Mrs. Lucas Welch returned Wednesday from a visit with friends in Springfield.

Mrs. Edwards of Enfield came Saturday to spend the winter with Mrs. Anna Parent.

Mrs. Aubrey Vaughan and son of Southbridge have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Banister.

Mrs. L. T. Welch spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. H. Lavalle at Overlook Farm, Palmer.

Mrs. Lewis of New Bedford came last week to spend the winter with her daughter, Mrs. V. C. Faunce.

Miss Lydia B. Marsan of Springfield was a guest Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adelard Marsan.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hirst of Monson spent Sunday with Mrs. Hirst's mother, Mrs. George Canterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Keyes of Conway have come to take charge of the farm of W. D. Spear of South Belchertown.

The monthly meeting of the Sunday school board will be held next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.

The Heweha Campfire girls of Palmer held a regular meeting at the home of Miss Marion Albrow Tuesday evening.

Miss Marion Backus, who has been employed by the Boston Duck Co., has taken a position in a store in Westfield.

Miss Julia Manning, who has been a guest of her aunt, Miss Kate Quirk, has returned to her home in Springfield.

William Butterfield Sr. returned Thursday from a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Walter Doster, in Baltimore, Md.

Miss Catherine Murphy has returned to her work in Amherst after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy.

Miss Mollie Barton of Palmer and Miss Phyllis Green of North Wilbraham were guests Thursday of Miss Irene Marsan.

The Epworth League will hold a business meeting and social in the vestry of the Methodist church Friday evening.

Miss Ora Parent, who has been at her home in this village for the past three weeks, has returned to her position as teacher of French in the Hartford high school.

Miss Gertrude Sullivan has returned to her studies at Westfield Normal School after spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Sullivan.

Miss Annie Mansfield, who has been spending a ten-days' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mansfield, has returned to her work at the Fitchburg Normal School.

Miss Lena W. Lavalle has returned to her home at Overlook Farm after spending a few days with her grandmother, Mrs. Lucas Welch.

The Ladies' Aid Society met Wednesday with Mrs. V. C. Faunce. The next meeting will be in two weeks with Mrs. William Taylor.

Christopher Magee Jr., who several months past has been in the West, is at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Christopher Magee.

Leslie Banister has returned to his studies at the Y. M. C. A. College, Springfield, after spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banister.

Mrs. John Convery and son, who have been spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loy, returned to their home in Valleyfield, Canada, Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Martin and three children have returned to their home in Worcester after a few days' visit with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin.

Mrs. Theresa Parent, who has been spending three weeks with Mrs. Anna Parent, went Saturday to South Framingham for a visit with friends before returning to her home in Canada.

Miss Mary Cavanaugh has returned to her studies at Westfield Normal School after spending the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Cavanaugh of High street.

William Collins returned to his studies at Brown University in Providence Monday, and William Brown returned to Tufts College after spending the vacation at their home here.

The railroad bridge of the Boston & Albany railroad just north of this village is being strengthened by the putting in of several tons of steel on the overpass along the Athol branch.

Coasting on the hills of the village has been much enjoyed the past moonlight nights by both young and old. Not for several winters has this sport been so ideal. Slatery's hill and Mitchell's are the favorite resorts, as there is little travel on either.

A special meeting of the Ladies' Aid Society will be held in the church vestry next Thursday afternoon to make arrangements for the coming fair, which will be held March 18 and 19.

T. D. Potter has finished filling his ice house with ice, which is reported to be of excellent quality. This week he has been filling orders for outside parties, many families and others obtaining ice from him.

Miss Helena Martin of Kings Park Hospital, L. I., who has been spending her holiday vacation with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin, went Saturday to Harvard College, where she will spend a month in research work.

The many friends in this village of Mrs. Orissa Merrifield will be sorry to hear of her serious illness. Until a few months ago Mrs. Merrifield lived with her daughter, Mrs. Rowland McFarlane in this village. She moved with her daughter to Chicopee, where she is now ill.

At the Methodist church Sunday morning the subject of the pastor's sermon will be "What Constitutes True Greatness?" Sunday school and Epworth League will meet at 12 o'clock and 6 o'clock respectively. For the evening service the pastor will exchange pulpits with Rev. Mr. Enman of the Congregational church in Thorndike.

The Ladies' Aid Society will give their postponed oyster supper next Thursday evening. The following will serve: Kitchen committee, Mrs. Adalard Marsan, Mrs. T. C. Martin, Mrs. W. H. Morse, Mrs. Charles Sharatt, Mrs. William Taylor; dining room, Mrs. Lucas Welch, Mrs. Charles Banister, Mrs. Charles Collis, Mrs. Fred Collis, Mrs. V. C. Faunce. There will be an entertainment.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Laccas Jr. entertained a family party at their home in this village Sunday, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Laccas Sr. and daughters Alice and Lea, Mr. and Mrs. Belisle and grandchildren Annie and Rose, Aldea and Mary Blanche Belisle, Mr. and Mrs. Cormier, all of this village; Mr. and Mrs. T. Laccas and two sons, Ephrem and Orila, and daughter Leona, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fontaine, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fontaine and Mr. Lussier, all of Chicopee.

A Famous Old Abbey.

Melrose abbey is in Roxburghshire, Scotland, in a beautiful situation between the Eldons and the Tweed. David I. of Scotland founded an abbey at Melrose in 1136. It was several times torn down and rebuilt. The present famous ruins are what is left of the abbey built largely by the gift of Robert Bruce in the fourteenth century. They are the property of the dukes of Buccleugh and are carefully preserved. The abbey was a cruciform building in the decorated and perpendicular styles, with pronounced French influence. Much of the nave remains, with the two transepts, the chancel and the choir, two west piers of the tower and the sculptured roof of the east end. Sir Walter Scott has immortalized the east window in "The Lay of the Last Minstrel." The heart of Robert Bruce is buried at the high altar. Sir William Douglas, "The Knight of Liddesdale," James, the second earl of Douglas, and Alexander II., king of Scotland, are also buried in the abbey.—New York Times.

Didn't Discharge Him.

In the financial district they tell a story of a bank that was in difficulties several years ago and how the clearing house happened to learn of the situation. One of the big national banks was clearing for a certain other bank that was in trouble and every day the president of the clearing house bank would certify \$2,000,000 worth of checks for the other. Finally the paying teller called the attention to the fact that he was taking a mighty long chance, but the president paid no attention to the hint. Then the teller informed the clearing house of the situation, and the president was called to book. "Did my paying teller tell you that?" demanded the president. "He did," replied the chairman of the clearing house committee. "I shall discharge him at once," declared the president, bristling up with indignation. "You do and we'll close your bank tomorrow," calmly replied the chairman. Needless to say, the teller was not discharged.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Falstaff and Yarmouth.

Yarmouth has a claim upon all Englishmen quite independently of its associations with the breakfast bloater. For it was the home of Shakespeare's Falstaff, who appears to have been a man of exemplary piety. The Falstaffs were an old Yarmouth family.

"A Falstolfe or Falstaff," writes John Richard Green, "was a bailiff of Yarmouth in 1281. Another is among the first of its representatives in parliament, and from that the members of that family filled the highest municipal offices. John Falstolfe, a man of considerable account in the town, purchased lands at the close of the fourteenth century in Caistor, and became the father of Sir John Falstolfe, who, after a distinguished military career, was luckless enough to give his name to Shakespeare's famous character. In Yarmouth, however, he was better known as a benefactor to the great Church of St. Nicholas."—St. Nicholas.

Europe's Richest City.

The richest city in Europe is Basel, the great Swiss railway center, Zurich, in a neighboring canton, coming second. This is proportionate to the number of inhabitants. Basel's richest citizen boasts a fortune of \$500,000, another has \$300,000, while no fewer than sixteen residents pay income tax on a round million dollars. Eighty-two are "French millionaires," possessing fortunes of a million francs. The average wage earning capacities of the various professions form an interesting contrast. Basel's doctors—the place is flooded with medical men—are the worst paid, averaging only \$240 a year; druggists are good for more, and lawyers the same. Professors, on the other hand, earn something like \$500 a year and bank directors anywhere from \$1,000 to \$1,200.—Pearson's Weekly.

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A Statue of Brick.

Perhaps no other nation in the world save the inventive Germans would have thought of building a statue of brick. In the little city of Vegesack, near Bremen and in the district of the German clay fields, the citizens have erected such a statue to one of their number who won fame as an African explorer. The monument is of brick, thirty feet in height, including the pedestal. The architect molded the figures of a man and camel out of a solid mass of clay, which was burned in a great kiln and then sawed into brick sized blocks.

Child's Day in Belgium.

St. Nicholas day, which is Dec. 6, is the day on which the Belgian child expects a new toy. It is the Belgian child's Christmas.

Charity.

Charity does not demand of us that we should never see the faults of others, but she does ask us to avoid discovering them when there is no need.

Children have more need of models than of critics.—Joubert.

This time, like all times, is a very good one if we but knew what to do with it.—Emerson.

Marriage in Java.

In Java when a man marries he goes to his wife's house, where the women sit in council upon all matters of importance and dictate the affairs of the home.

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Monson News.

Who Will Fill the Offices?

Some Political Talk, But Apparently a Dearth of Candidates.

The near approach of the primaries—coming Jan. 18th and 19th—has stimulated considerable political talk within the past ten days. The chief difficulty seems to be in finding candidates or vacancies on the ticket.

F. Q. Ball's name leads the list in "possibles" mentioned for successor to C. L. Peck as town clerk, and it has been suggested also that the present town treasurer, T. L. Cushman, be induced to assume the town clerk's duties as well as the financial end of town affairs. Mr. Cushman is admirably fitted for the work but in all probability will not serve in such capacity. Mr. Ball has the legal training and a convenient office on Main street, coupled with long years of faithful service as water commissioner and tax collector. Carlos M. Gage, at one time town clerk, has also had much experience in such matters and has a strong following who would like to have him take the office again.

A new water commissioner is even more difficult to suggest. The salary connected with the work is by no means attractive, the responsibility great, and the work considerable. Justin Carew, David B. Needham, Edward R. Sisson and Robert K. Squiers have been mentioned. The first three have been in the game for selectman's position and might be prevailed upon to serve. The fourth mentioned is a younger man but so situated that he could handle the work, and he has the qualifications. Candidates for selectmen are, as usual, bashful or backward in coming forward, but the coming week is expected to disclose a good group to pick from.

Monson Academy re-opened its activities Tuesday morning.

Miss Annie Entwistle has returned from a week's visit with friends in Lynn.

Nelson A. Bugbee, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is recovering.

Miss Charlotte Nash of Quincy spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Bradway.

Miss Carol Beckwith, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Beckwith, has returned to Hartford, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. French and son Donald have returned from a 10-days' visit with relatives in Hawley.

Miss Hattie F. Cushman and Miss Mary Ellis have returned from a week's stay with Prof. and Mrs. James Tufts of Chicago.

Mrs. Elizabeth Entwistle, who has been spending two months with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Entwistle, has gone to Brockton for a visit.

Miss Mary Robbins has returned to Putnam, Ct., following a 10-days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Everett Robbins of South Main street.

The Epworth League will have a business meeting and social hour in the Methodist Sunday school rooms to-morrow evening.

A horse owned by Dr. J. S. McQuaid fell dead suddenly Saturday, and one owned by Walter Holmes fell and was so injured that it had to be killed.

The annual meeting of the First Parish of Monson will be held in the Congregational Church vestry next Tuesday evening. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

Fire was discovered in a closet in the home of William Battige at South Monson Saturday morning, but was extinguished so the loss was confined to the clothing in the closet.

The annual meeting and roll call of members of the Congregational church will be held in the parlors this evening. Supper will be at 6:30 o'clock. There will be election of officers.

Royden C. Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Leonard of South Main street, conducted the morning services at the Universalist church Sunday. Mr. Leonard is a student of theology at St. Lawrence University, N. Y.

A mysterious person of generous nature has been scattering new Lincoln pennies along Main street as a celebration of the new year, much to the delight of many sharp-eyed youngsters and a good number of adults who are not above stooping to gather in a brand new "cooper."

The E. H. G. T. club held a meeting in district No. 4 schoolhouse Friday evening, to which the public of the district was invited. Music and games, besides dancing, were enjoyed. C. W. Carpenter sang several selections, and A. K. Howe and Walter Cross rendered instrumental pieces. The club will meet the evening of January 20th with Mrs. Myron Pease.

A children's social was held in the Congregational church vestry last Saturday afternoon under the direction of Mrs. F. S. Chapman, Mrs. P. W. Soule, Miss Hazel Makepeace, Miss Helen Anderson and Miss Jessie Soule. An account of the work of the Animal Rescue League of Boston was given.

Miss Mary T. McCann has resigned as teacher of the fifth grade at the Mechanic street school and accepted a similar position in Worcester. Miss Mary Hynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hynes, who has had several years' teaching experience at Hatfield and in Berlin, Ct., has been appointed to fill Miss McCann's position temporarily.

The ice harvest has been in progress for the past week and a crop of excellent quality, 12 to 14 inches thick, has been hauled by several different parties. At State Line pond the cutting of many hundreds of tons is in full swing, 75 men being employed. Judson Calkins is working to rebuild the dam to his ice pond which broke last week and drained the pond.

Monson young people pursuing an education in various colleges who have been home for their Christmas vacation and have returned to their studies include: John Leamy to Tufts College; Emory Bartwell, Harold Bennett and Clayton Entwistle to Tufts medical; William A. Cushman to Andover; Miss Esther Flint to Smith College; Miss Mary Ellis to Radcliffe; Miss Annie Deltour and Edward Hillard to Bryant & Stratton School, Boston.

Problem to Secure Schoolroom.

"What to do next year" for additional recitation room is a problem confronting the school board at the present time. Last September when the seventh grade was so overcrowded all could not be accommodated at the regular seventh grade room at the State street school building, the board got permission from the State police to accommodate the overflow in the large hall at Mechanic street building for a period of one year. This means exactly one year in police interpretation of agreements, and when that time is up it is very doubtful if the hall can be used longer for school purposes. So some other place must be found, and just where an extra room can be built at the least cost, with the best provision for the future, is the problem the school board is trying to solve.

Miss Lillian Mathieson.

Miss Lillian Mathieson, 18, daughter of John Mathieson, died at her home on Hampden avenue Monday afternoon after a two years' illness with tuberculosis. She was born in Maine and came to Monson 12 years ago. Miss Mathieson was a member of the Congregational church. She leaves four sisters, Mrs. George McCouchie, Mrs. Jessie Heffernan, Mrs. Margaret Packard and Mrs. F. J. Blakeborough, and two brothers, Albert and William, all of Monson. The funeral was held at the home Wednesday afternoon, Rev. G. A. Andrews officiating; burial was in No. 1 cemetery.

Peach Growers Will Meet.

There will be a meeting for local peach growers in the Green street schoolhouse the evening of Jan. 19, at which all problems of peach culture will be carefully considered. Mr. Lee Rice of Wilbraham, one of the best growers in Massachusetts, will address the meeting, which is under the direction of the Hampden County Improvement League. Peach growing is becoming an important part of the agriculture of the majority of farmers living in the west part of the town, and many new trees have been planted in the last five years. The exact amount of injury from severe cold weather of the past week has not yet been determined.

Postmaster T. J. Sullivan attended the inauguration of Gov. D. I. Walsh at Boston Wednesday.

There will be an illustrated service at the Methodist church Sunday evening.

Charles Buckley has returned from Wilmington, Vt., where he was called by the death of relatives.

Hon. A. L. Blair will be the speaker at the fourth of the Epworth League lecture series held in Memorial hall next Tuesday evening.

R. S. Hughes' dancing class in Memorial hall Tuesday evening was well patronized. The next meeting will be Thursday night of next week.

Mrs. Annie Russell Marble of Worcester will lecture on Robert Louis Stevenson at the Bungalow on January 20, at 3 p. m. The lecture will be under the auspices of the Dorcas society, and the tickets will be 25 cents.

George Bowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Bowden of Hampden avenue, has returned from the Mersey hospital in Springfield, where he was taken for treatment two weeks ago, having suffered serious injury when he fell in Charles Taft's barn while at play.

The Republican town committee met Monday evening and organized with W. H. Anderson chairman, F. E. Severy treasurer, and G. W. Ellis secretary. The Democratic town committee have announced J. P. Herlihy as chairman, J. P. McCarthy as treasurer, and R. S. Hughes secretary.

Skating on the Ellis No. 3 mill pond has been enjoyed this week for the first time in several years. This pond is only safe for skating in a season of continued cold weather, and has been shunned for several years as dangerous since the narrow escape of Joseph Monaghan and Frank P. Rand from drowning there.

Alfred Baldwin Sr. has sold his place known as the "Stanton" place on the Hampden road, to John G. Royce, who has taken possession. Mr. Baldwin is moving his family to the tenement being vacated by Mr. Royce on South Main street. Mr. Baldwin has been in the poultry business for the past two years and his entire flock of blooded White Leghorns was sold off Monday morning.

The Dorcas Society will meet next Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. with Mrs. George H. Seymour at her home on Main street. The envelopes containing the dollar earned or given by each member are to be opened at this meeting and a large attendance is expected. Work will be begun for a box of useful articles for the International College in Springfield. The committee in charge of the work are: Mrs. George Norcross, Mrs. C. M. Gage, Mrs. F. H. Johnson, Mrs. A. H. Bennett, Mrs. H. E. Kendall.

Deputy Grand Master H. Howe and suite of Ludlow installed the following officers of Monson lodge of Odd Fellows Monday evening: P. G., A. B. Norcross; N. G., C. E. Switzer; V. G., John Clarke; R. S., A. J. Buffington; F. S., C. F. Aldrich; treasurer, D. B. Needham; warden, Louis Dimock; conductor, E. C. Bradway; R. S. N. G., F. J. Entwistle; L. S. N. G., D. M. Blodgett; chaplain, G. L. Keeney; R. S. S. George Warner; D. S. S., Harry Stowell; R. S. V. G., C. R. Aldrich; L. S. V. G., Bert Reed; inside guard, Frank Maguire; outside guard, George Lewis.

The Central Massachusetts Electric Co. and the New England Telegraph and Telephone Co. have presented a joint petition to the board of selectmen for the right to use a common line of poles on Cushman street, Pearl avenue and Hampden avenue, and the selectmen have sent notices to all adjoining property owners of a hearing to be held in the town hall next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. The petition will undoubtedly be granted, as one of the companies now has a line of poles on the streets mentioned and the right of both companies to use these poles together is the intent of the petition, and will necessitate the setting of only one new pole on Cushman street.

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Drawers in circular and regular models with French bands, made of lingerie cloth with cluster pin tucks, or blind and eyelet hamburg ruffles.

Short Skirts of laundry sustaining materials with French bands, hamburg and torchon lace trimmings.

Gowns, Corset Covers, Chemise, Long Skirts and Drawers

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Crepe and Lingerie of More Than 69c Value

Slipover gowns, some of crepe with kimono sleeve, linen lace trimmed, others of lingerie cloth with kimono or insert sleeves, round and square necks, blind or eyelet combinations, beadings, ribbon run and embroidery insertions, ribbon decorations, also button front, long sleeves.

Chemise, envelope and regular models, nainsook and lace trimmed, ribbon run.

Corset Covers of nainsook, imported lace trimmed yoke, front and back, also popular crepe with valenciennes lace bodice, ribbon run.

Corset Covers, with shield sleeves of nainsook or muslin, valenciennes lace and hamburg insertion, yokes, ribbon run.

Long Skirts --- popular skeleton models in crepe with rose val. lace insertions and edging, ribbon bows, cambric tops with 3-in. hamburg edging, and val. lace trimmed.

Long Skirts with underlay, ruffles of imported embroideries, 6 to 10 in. wide of blind and eyelet or combination beading of point design, ribbon run.

Drawers of nainsook in circular, directorie, knickerbocker and regular models, also batiste and crepe bloomers.

Boudoir Caps, fancy and plain nets, organdie and baby Irish lace motifs, ribbon decorations.

Gowns, Combinations, Envelope Chemise, Long Skirts

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Envelope Chemise of plain and floral silk muslin, val. lace trimmed, ribbon run.

Motor combinations of lingerie cloth, yokes of shadow point lace, fisheye insertions and imported embroidered motifs combination, combination hamburg, beadings, and trimmed drawers to match yoke.

Gowns, slipover models, of crepe and nainsook, all lace bodices and sleeves.

Long skirts with dainty flounces of laces, imported embroideries and hand machine embroidered buttonhole edgings, imported embroidered bands.

Gowns, Corset Covers, Drawers and Bloomers

At 39c

Quite of Modest Value at 50c

Slipover gowns with kimono sleeves, made of extra quality muslin, have yokes of hamburg, insertion, combination embroidery beadings and all lace yoke, front and back, trimmed sleeves. Beading and ribbon.

Corset covers of nainsook with blind fastenings, valenciennes lace trimmed, bodice of blind or eyelet embroideries, ribbon run.

Drawers of nainsook or cambric in circular or regular models, with flat trimmings or hamburg ruffles.

Pink Crepe bloomers in particularly cute designs and of dainty fashion.

Chemise, Combinations, Gowns, Long Skirts, Drawers

At 69c

Lingerie---Daube Crepe---Silver Dot Pique--- of Exceptional 98c Value

Slip-over gowns of lingerie cloth with fisheye and val lace yokes, baby sleeves. Empire models with dotted Swiss or eyelet embroidery V neck model, elbow sleeves, also of white daube crepes with square neck and kimono sleeves, trimmed with pink and blue figured wash ribbon and bow decorations.

Drawers in knickerbocker and straight model, circular and regular models with flat trimmings and French bands.

Chemise with yokes of vai, point and fisheye lace insertions, embroidery motifs and insertions, ribbon run and popular crepes.

Combinations---corset cover with drawer or short skirt of lingerie cloth, yokes of combination hamburg beadings, ribbon run, valenciennes lace insertings and edgings, popular crepe with linen laces, beading and ribbons.

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Drawers---circular models with linen lace trimmings, also regular models with tucked ruffle.

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Long Skirts, crepe or double panel front, hamburg edgings, skeleton or with underlay, have flounces of various laces or embroidery.

Slipover Gowns of nainsook, eyelet embroidery yokes, dainty laces or convent edging and popular crepe with linen laces. Beadings and ribbons.

At 50c

Drawers of nainsook in circular models with blind embroidery edgings.

Gowns, V and high neck, long sleeves, of extra quality cambric, finished with ruffle in neck and sleeves.

At \$1.39

Combinations---corset cover with drawer, lingerie cloth, yokes of fisheye valenciennes lace insertings and edgings, embroidered motifs, combination embroidery beadings and ribbon bows.

Gowns, Combination Chemise, Motor Combinations and Long Skirts

At 98c

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Crepe gowns, floral design, V front of Irish lace insertion and dainty edging, white crepes, imported yokes of combination hamburg beading, daisy design and cluny insertions, yokes embroidered chiffon and German val laces, kimono sleeves and ribbon decorations.

Gowns of lingerie cloth, V and square necks, baby and elbow sleeves, flat trimmings of imported rose band insertions, or blind and eyelet embroideries, popular empire model of dainty embroideries and fisheye val laces and ribbon decorations.

Gowns---button front models, dainty yokes, square or V neck, and high neck models, lace or hamburg trimmed, baby---three-quarter or full length sleeves.

Envelope and regular chemise of nainsook and crepes, dainty lace trimmed yokes or combination hamburg edgings, convent and blind embroidery dainty cluny laces, ribbon run.

Motor combinations, val lace and embroidery trimmed corset cover and drawers.

Combinations---corset cover with drawer or short skirt, lingerie cloth, fancy trimmed bodices, front and back with imported val laces and hamburg insertions or bands, ribbon run.

Long skirts, popular crepes and pique with double panel fronts in skeleton and directorie models, or with underlay imported laces and embroideries, embroidered chiffons, or more elaborately trimmed ruffles, ribbon decorations.

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Slip-over gowns of batiste and pongettes, with beautiful yokes of allover embroidery, val and net lace bodices. All lace bodices with combination lace beading over shoulder, embroidered butterfly motifs and floral bands.

Empire models of pink and white figured silk muslin and wash ribbon and decorations.

Long skirts of satine with shadow laces, skeleton and directorie models, beautiful lace and embroidery flounces, insertings and ribbon decorations.

Jersey silk bloomers, reinforced in white, black and pink, extra quality.

AN EMPEROR'S NOSE

By M. QUAD

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Two years before the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian war and the downfall of the third Napoleon an American named James Birney landed in Paris from New York. He was what might be called a general utility man.

When a man in Cincinnati invented a bullet proof vest Mr. Birney somehow got hold of the European agency—that is, he went to Paris at least to bring the patent directly to the attention of the French emperor, who was always on the lookout for military novelties. He had insisted that he would not deal with the minister of war or any other official and was at last granted an audience with the emperor. It was in the war office, and several cabinet officials were present. A musket was lying on a table, and Napoleon greeted the agent with:

"Well, sir, what about this bullet proof vest?"

"I have it here, your majesty," was the reply as the vest was held up to view.

"Put it on."

"With pleasure."

"Now go to the farther end of the room."

"Certainly, your majesty."

"Now, sir," continued the emperor as he lifted up the musket, "I am going to fire at your breast. Are you willing to take the chances?"

"Fire away!" was the reply.

The emperor fired, and, although the bullet did not penetrate the shield, the force of it knocked Birney head over heels and put him out of it for the next ten minutes. While it was decided that the vest was not a success, the American's nerve excited such admiration that he was given a handsome present in cash and graciously dismissed. He seemed to want to say something to the emperor before he left the room, but did not have opportunity. Early the next day, however, he bobbed up at the war office for an interview with the minister.

"It is no use," said the official as he gave him a minute. "The emperor has decided that he will not buy the vest."

"I knew that yesterday, of course," replied Birney. "I am not here about the vest, but altogether another thing. The fact is I do not like Napoleon's nose, and I want to improve it."

"Mon Dieu, man, but what do you say?" exclaimed the minister as he sprang to his feet.

"I say that the emperor's nose is off and that I can improve it."

"The emperor's nose? You say it is wrong? You say you can fix it? Man, what mean you?"

"I mean just what I say," calmly replied Birney.

"Mon Dieu! Mon Dieu!" gasped the minister as he looked at the American with wonder and terror in his eyes.

"Then you have gone crazy! You are out of your mind. You know not what you say."

"I am all right from head to heel, my dear sir, and I can't understand your agitation. What's the matter with my scheme for improving Napoleon's nose?"

The minister rang his bell with nervous hand, and a minute later Birney was out on the sidewalk with a flea in his ear—that is, he was told to take himself off or he would be locked up as an insane person. It was rather a setback for him, and it took him a day or two to get over it, but he finally came up smiling. If the minister would not help him out there were other officials who would. He tried two or three of them, with the result that he was eventually hated before the chief of police. That official probably sized him up correctly, for he said to him:

"You do not realize what you are doing. Don't you understand that you can be sent to prison for this? You do not appear to have lost your mind, and yet you are no fool, and the best thing you can do is to get out of Paris at once."

"Well, I don't want to leave Paris for a few days yet, but I'll keep still about Napoleon's nose."

He went out of the police office meaning to do it, but scarcely twenty-four hours had passed away when he accidentally met a French doctor who could speak English fairly well. Birney was naturally asked why he had visited Paris, and, of course, he told of the bullet proof vest. Having got started, he couldn't stop there.

"Say, do you know I could fix the emperor's nose in less than a month?" he remarked in a burst of confidence.

"The devil! Why, man, you are insulting the emperor! You ought to be locked up!"

The doctor left him without even a cold bow and probably went to the police, as Birney was arrested an hour later. According to the story, he was sent to prison without a trial and detained for a full year. Then he was taken out one day and conveyed to the war office and into the presence of Napoleon.

"Sir," said the emperor after glaring at him for awhile, "is my nose out of plumb?"

"It is plumb as a plummet!" was the ready reply.

"Does it need any fixing over?"

"Not a fix."

"And how is it with yours?"

"It's out of joint, your majesty, but I think I could follow it out of France."

"Then you may try."

And try he did. His nose led him back to the land of the free without any lingering on the road.

If all dreams came true, people would soon quit eating mince pie.

A WAX ROSE

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

Worthington, an American tourist, was traveling on foot in Italy.

There are some queer regions in Italy. Worthington would pass over a section of country wherein there were no inhabitants; then he would come upon a town set on the top of a hill, with no outskirts, nothing to connect it with any other people. He resolved to investigate one of these towns and, for the purpose, remain in it several days. He did not find it much about the town, except that it was a relic of medieval times, when no one felt safe unless inclosed in stone walls on the summit of a hill.

Worthington stopped at a hostelry commanding beautiful and interesting views. He loved to sit on a stone portico and look out on the landscape. The landlord's daughter seemed to have been captivated by him on sight, for on the evening of his arrival she waited on him at the table and could not keep her eyes off him. The next day when he was on the porch she went out there with a litre of wine and took advantage of his asking her about some points of interest on the rolling ground below to chat with him.

While they were there a young Italian of her own class went by the house and saw the girl evidently very much interested in the stranger. This man was her lover, and love is very sensitive. He saw danger for him in the American. When he saw her again he reproached her and accused her of being infatuated with one he considered his rival.

"Oh, Andrea," she replied, "how easily you become jealous!"

"Oh, Bianca," was the reply, "how quickly you are caught by a new fancy!"

Worthington remained in the place three days. Then when about to depart Bianca took a wax flower from a vase and offered it to him, telling him that it was a piece of her handiwork. He thanked her and put it in his buttonhole. She watched him descend the roadway, flanked on each side, as is customary in Italy, with high walls, until he was out of sight. But she knew he was on his way northward and must soon emerge where she could see him again. Presently he reappeared, and not far behind him a man was following. Bianca gave a subdued cry. Despite the distance she knew this man to be Andrea.

When Bianca saw her lover again she could tell by his appearance, his actions, that he had committed a crime, and she suspected what that crime was. If Andrea had followed the American and killed him there would be no likelihood of the murder being known, because the country so far as the next town, miles farther on, was uninhabited. She was tempted to charge Andrea with murder in order to see how he would receive the accusation, but she thought better of this and pretended not to suspect him. Gradually he seemed to recover from what haunted him and one day asked Bianca to name the day when she would marry him.

"The day I will marry you, Andrea? I will tell you that when you have brought me something I wish."

"What is that, Bianca?"

"The day the American went away I gave him one of the wax roses in the vase on the mantel there. He put it in his buttonhole, but I watched him go down the road and saw him throw the rose away. I wish to put it back in the vase with the other flowers. Find it and bring it to me. Then I will tell you when I will marry you."

"How can I do that, Bianca?"

"You must or I will not marry you."

Andrea was much cast down at this and went away, saying that she had given him an impossible task. But the next day she saw him hunting beside the road. This action she received with a curl of the lip. A few days later he came to her with the rose. She turned pale as he handed it to her, for since she had made it herself and put her mark upon it, she knew that it was the one she had given Worthington. She had laid a trap for Andrea and caught him, but she had not been sure that Andrea was a murderer. She did not believe that the American had thrown away the rose, and she now believed that Andrea had killed him and concealed or buried her gift with him by the body.

"Now, will you name the day, Bianca?" he asked.

"Come and see me the day after tomorrow."

Andrea was obliged to wait. On the day appointed he went to see Bianca for her answer. He found with her a carabineer, who, the moment Andrea entered, closed the door. Andrea's teeth chattered.

"You have come," said Bianca, "to have me name the day I will marry you. You will be wed to the gibbet, but it is for the judge to name the day. I saw you follow the American and by your guilty appearance believed that you had murdered him. In order to prove this I asked you to bring me the flower I had given him. Yesterday the police made a search of the road over which your victim passed and found his body hidden in a wood beside the road under a heap of logs that had been pulled together for the purpose. The rose had been bent and broken, but repaired."

The carabineer took Andrea away, and the judge pronounced the day for his execution.

Nebraska solons have passed the Sunday optional baseball bill.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE THREE RIVERS FIRE DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF PALMER.

1. All applications for membership in any company shall be made at a regular monthly meeting of the Board of Engineers, and if approved by the Board of Engineers, the applicant shall then become a member of the Department after signing an agreement to be deposited with the Board of Engineers.

2. Every officer and member of the Fire Department shall sign the following agreement to be deposited with the Board of Engineers:

I, having been elected and approved a member of the Three Rivers Fire Department, hereby sign my agreement to abide by all the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Engineers relating thereto. And any officer or member who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to sign the same shall not become a member of the Department.

3. Any officer or member of the Fire Department who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, or disobedience to his superiors in office, shall for such offense be dismissed from the Department.

4. The Chief Engineer shall have sole command at fires over all others and shall direct all proper measures for the extinguishment of fires, protection of property, and the laws, rules and regulations, and it shall be the duty of said Chief Engineer to command and direct the Fire Department and all other Fire Apparatus, and of the houses in the District used for the purpose of the Fire Department.

5. The Chief Engineer shall, at all times, have the charge of the Apparatus, and may at any time call out the same in his judgment it is necessary.

6. In case of the absence of the Chief Engineer, the Engineer next in rank, who may be present, shall execute the duties of his office with full power.

7. Any member expecting to be absent from the town one week or more shall procure a substitute, and the substitute shall be a member of his company, and shall report to the Chief Engineer.

8. The Clerk of the several companies shall make quarterly returns to the Chief Engineer of all absences of the members of their respective companies, and shall report to the Board of Engineers.

9. Every company shall hold regular monthly meetings, in his absence the Assistant Foreman, and in the absence of both, the Clerk of the company.

10. The officers of each company shall be elected annually, or whenever a vacancy occurs, by the members of the company, and a return of the same made to the Board of Engineers, and in case of rejection by them, the person or persons so rejected shall be returned to the Company and the members thereof shall select another person for approval.

11. The Engineer shall be under the direction of the Board of Engineers, and shall have sole command of his company. He shall be personally responsible for the care and good order of his Engine, and shall see that it is at all times in condition for immediate use.

12. The use of intoxicating liquors, or gambling in any form, or the use of any building occupied by the Fire Department, and persons, not members of the company, shall be prohibited in or about the premises.

13. The members of the several companies shall not assemble for any purpose except for the purpose of taking their Apparatus out and to fire and returning the same after its use. This shall not apply to Officers and Stewards of the several companies.

14. The members of the several companies may by vote of a majority of the members adopt by-laws to govern their company, and such by-laws shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Engineers for their approval and acceptance.

15. The Stoker shall, under the direction of the Chief Engineer, assist in the care and cleanliness of the engine. He will see that the engine is properly supplied with fuel and perform such other duties as may be required by him by the Board of Engineers.

16. The Board of Engineers shall appoint one member of the Fire Department for each engine and it shall be the duty of said member to see that, on the return of said engine and other apparatus, the same will be washed, cleaned, oiled, and securely housed; also that the hose is properly washed, dried, and placed on hose reel for use. It shall be the duty of said member to keep the engine house and all things pertaining thereto as clean as possible, and such other duties as may be required by the Board of Engineers.

17. The Fire Department shall assemble annually for parade and inspection.

18. Any member who shall wilfully neglect or refuse to perform his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, or disobedience to his superiors in office, shall be liable to a fine of not less than one dollar nor more than five dollars, for the use of the Department.

19. If any member of the Fire Department shall miss three roll-calls within thirty days without a reasonable excuse, he shall cease to be a member of the Fire Department. If there are two roll-calls for a fire, or practice, the same shall be counted as one, and if two roll-calls occur within twenty-four hours, only one shall count in this rule.

20. In case of an alarm of fire, the several bells, whistles, and horns, shall be rung, and the whistles sounded, under such rules as the Board of Engineers shall from time to time prescribe, and no person shall knowingly give a false alarm, or proclaim that any fire is extinguished or out when it is not. Any person violating the last clause of this section shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten dollars.

is extinguished or out when it is not. Any person violating the last clause of this section shall be liable to a fine not exceeding ten dollars.

2. The officers and members of the several companies shall, whenever a fire breaks out in town, report to the place of the fire with their respective engines, hose, hook and ladder carriages, and other apparatus, in as orderly a manner as may be according to the directions of the engineers, and exert themselves in the most orderly manner possible in working and managing the said apparatus, and performing any duty that they may be called upon to do by any engineer. They will be obliged to open the doors and windows of a building where a fire may be, until a supply of water can be procured, and when water is obtained, to apply it judiciously, and to direct the parts on fire, and carefully to avoid damaging furniture and goods by water. And upon the order of the chief engineer, they shall return said apparatus in an orderly and quiet manner to the respective places of deposit, provided that in the absence of all engineers, such direction may be given by their respective Foreman.

3. The Hook and Ladder Company are to be with their apparatus to or near the fire, when the commanding officer will report their arrival to the Acting Chief Engineer.

4. The members of the Hook and Ladder Company will see that no axes are used except by direction of the engineers.

5. In the absence of all the engineers, the foreman of each engine shall direct the placing of his engine at a suitable place to obtain a supply of water. The foreman of each engine, hose, hook and ladder company shall have sole charge of, and remain by his company, and direct their operations. Foremen will be held accountable for the conduct of their several companies when on duty, or in their meeting rooms.

6. No company is to leave a fire, or take apparatus of which they have charge, from the fire without permission from the Chief Engineer, and all members of the Department during a fire except there engaged on special duty, will remain at or near the apparatus to which they are attached.

7. No company shall leave town, in case of fire in any neighboring town, except by special permission of the Chief Engineer or one of the assistant engineers.

8. At a meeting of the Board of Engineers, held April 7th, 1913, it was voted to adopt the following as the Rules and Regulations of the Fire Department of the Three Rivers Fire District of the Town of Palmer.

CHARLES S. RUGGLES, Chief Engineer
THOMAS J. BOYNTON, 1st Asst
HOMER A. CHALFOUN, 3d Asst

A true copy attested.
ALFRED F. CAMERLIN,
Clerk of the Three Rivers Fire District of the Town of Palmer.

April 15, 1914.

Boston, Mass., November 18, 1914.

Approved, with the exception of paragraphs two, nine and ten of sub-division

THOMAS J. BOYNTON, Attorney-General.

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LAND COURT.

To the Palmer Savings Bank, a duly existing corporation having an usual place of business at Palmer, in the County of Hampshire, and said Commonwealth: John Gebro, Plaintiff, vs. Lotius, Jeremiah J. Kelley and Mary A. Thayer, of said Palmer; Luella Winkler, of East Haverhill, in the County of Hampshire; Frederick A. Thayer, of Biddeford, in the State of Maine; and to all whom it may concern.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court by Lucy A. Bishop of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut, to register and file her title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin in the southerly line of Commercial street in the village of Thorndike, in said Palmer, at the northeasterly corner of land of Jeremiah J. Kelley, thence along land of said Kelley S. 63 degrees 22 minutes W. 143 1/2 feet to a stone bound in the northeasterly side of High street, thence along said High street N. 28 degrees 38 minutes W. 52 1/2 feet to a stone bound in a line of land of Katherine J. Loftus, thence along land of said Loftus N. 63 degrees 33 minutes E. 153 1/2 feet to an iron pin in the southerly side of said Commercial street; thence S. 19 degrees 9 minutes E. along said Commercial street 60 feet to the place of beginning.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundaries are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

You are hereby called to appear at the Land Court, to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the twenty-fifth day of January A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Your appearance and answer, as provided in Section 33 of Chapter 128 of the Revised Laws, may be filed with James E. Wells, Assistant Recorder of said Court, at the Registry of Deeds at Springfield, in said County of Hampshire, with whom a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited.

Witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of December in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Attest with Seal of said Court.
CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

A Practical Joke

By MARJORIE CLOUGH

Two young men sitting in a railway car rolled out of the station. They were evidently very happy and chatted gleefully.

"If there isn't Dave Spooner in that seat ahead on the right, and he's with Gwen Horberson."

"What do you suppose they're doing on the train together?"

"Give it up. Dave has been sweet on her for some time. I suppose she is going to visit somebody, and he has made an excuse to do the journey with her."

"Maybe they are eloping."

"How would it do"—after some thought—"to give out to the passengers that they are a runaway couple?"

"It would be a bang up good joke."

When the conductor came through the train for tickets the young men chafed him a bit to get him in a good humor, then told him as a great secret that he had a runaway couple on his train, pointing out the young man and woman mentioned. The conductor looked back at them, winked and went on taking tickets.

At the next station the scamps left the car long enough to send a telegram ahead to the conductor to stop a couple who had run away to get married. The young woman's father was after them and would pay well for assistance in securing his daughter. When the telegram was received the conductor showed it to the jokers and asked them what he had better do in the premises.

"Warn them that they are pursued," was the reply.

So the conductor took the telegram to the young couple and told them that, being lovers, they had his sympathies. He would do nothing to delay them—on the contrary, he would do anything to help them. Both colored to the roots of their hair and assured the conductor that he was mistaken in the persons, whereupon he grinned and said he guessed he was right, but he didn't blame them for not owing up.

The passengers sitting near caught on to the fact that they had an eloping couple among them and that the lady's father was after them. Intense interest was manifested, and in a few minutes every neck in the car was craned to catch sight of the fugitives. Some one suggested that if there were a clergyman aboard the train he might perform the ceremony, which would give the couple every advantage over their pursuer.

A gentleman with a waistcoat covering his entire bosom and a collar buttoned at the back of his neck was found and told there was a couple on the train who wished to be married. The clergyman went to the supposed runaways and offered his services.

"I assure you, sir," protested Spooner, "that this is an entire mistake. We're not a runaway couple at all."

"Stick to it," said a man in the seat directly behind the couple. "All's fair in love and war," but you'd better get spliced, for if the old man gets you before you're married he can make it hot for you. The law gives you a prior right to your wife."

Still Dave protested. Gwen had by this time recovered from her surprise and embarrassment, and the situation seemed to amuse her. She sat with a smile on her pretty lips till Dave, urged past endurance, exclaimed: "We don't wish to be married. We haven't the slightest idea of being married."

Then her expression changed to dissatisfaction. She did not relish her companion making so explicit a statement upon what in her heart she hoped for. And, to tell the truth, it was very ungratifying in Dave.

"Then why did you persuade her to run away with you?" growled a man on the opposite side of the car.

"I didn't."

"Oh, I suppose it was she who persuaded you."

"No, no. I mean this is all wrong. We're just friends, not a runaway couple at all."

"See here, young feller," said one of the lookers-on, "you do the right thing by the young lady or we'll make it lively for you."

"What has the girl to say about it?" suggested a sharp faced lady tartly.

"Has this young man been trifling with your affections?"

"No," replied Gwen; "decidedly not."

"I don't believe it!" snorted the sharp faced lady.

"Come, come," spoke up a voice. "We've had enough of this. I move that a marriage take place at once. Of course the girl will shield the man she loves."

At this juncture the two young men who had put up this nefarious conspiracy, after consulting together, decided that it had gone far enough and the time had come to put a stop to it. One of them moved forward as if to observe what was going on. Suddenly he looked at Spooner and, affecting great surprise, exclaimed:

"Why, Dave, what's all this about?"

"Thank heaven! Gentlemen and ladies, here's a man who knows us. Tell them, Dave."

"Tell them what?"

"Why, they've mistaken us for a runaway couple."

"Ladies and gentlemen," said the indorser, "these two I know well. They are simply friends who met on the train."

The commotion at once subsided. But there was so much grumbling at whoever had started the matter that the two jokers thought it prudent to leave the train at the next station.

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AFTERMATH OF FIRES.

Facts Which Have Been Brought Out During the Week.

WHERE CONCERNS ARE NOW LOCATED

Investigation by State Police, With a Decision That Both Fires Were Incendiary.

The ruins of the Commercial block fire have ceased to smoulder, although they were smoking plentifully the first of the week. The insurance adjusters have been on hand and looked the situation over; some of the losses have been adjusted and some have not.

Of the burned-out firms, the E. Brown Company is located in the small building on Bridge street, partially in the rear of the burned block, and is caring for its customers in better shape than might be expected. E. H. Truesdell has opened a market in the basement of the Lawrence block, which has been a market for many years, under various ownerships. The Direct Importing Company has found quarters for its tea and coffee trade in the front part of the office of the Central Massachusetts Electric company. The Sego Lunch is to have temporary quarters built for it on the sidewalk in front of the burned block, which is back of the street line, until the new block which will be erected is ready for use. The owners of the Marathon Candy store have not yet signified an intention to do business here again.

The board of fire engineers has figured out the losses and insurance, as required by law, and forwarded their report to Boston. They make the loss on the Commercial block fire \$11,700, with insurance of \$30,700. The loss in the Lawrence block fire is set at \$1060 on the building and \$1045 on the stock, with \$900 insurance on the latter; the loss on the building is fully covered by insurance.

Careful investigation of the ruins of both places has brought out some interesting developments. It has been determined beyond doubt that the fire which destroyed the Commercial block had its origin in the attic of the two-story block occupied by the Marathon Candy Company. There was a suggestion that it started on the second floor, but Chief Summers states that he was in every room on this floor on his arrival at the fire, and there was no blaze in any of them, but that he could hear the flames crackling merrily away overhead. A tin roof on the building kept them from breaking through, and they ate their way through the side wall into the Commercial block, through which they spread with almost incredible rapidity.

It has also developed that there were two distinct fires in the store of Salvatore Smiraglia in the Lawrence block Wednesday morning. The first was under a counter about half way back in the front room; the second was in a corner of the next room back, separated from the front room by a solid brick wall and with the door between fastened so tightly that the firemen had to smash it in. There was no possible connection between the two rooms, and the fire in the second had evidently been burning the longest, as it was this blaze which worked its way up into the room above.

An inquest was held Friday by a member of the District Police, whose business it is to investigate fires. Members of the fire department and others were summoned and questioned, and representatives of the insurance companies were present. After the evidence as above had been brought out, the official was frank in saying that he believed both fires to have been of incendiary origin, but that there was not sufficient evidence to warrant charging any person with the crime.

EAST BRIMFIELD.

Thomas Patterson will rebuild his house in the spring on the site of the one destroyed by fire on Christmas day.

Work at the Snell Manufacturing Company's plant was resumed last Thursday after a week's shut-down for the taking of inventory.

There was a large attendance at a social held with Mrs. Hugh Pratt last Wednesday evening. The evening's entertainment consisted of selections on the victrola by Mrs. Robert Anderson, and various games. Refreshments were served.

To any person who is interested in birds and will ask him, Congressman Calvin D. Paige of the Third Congressional district will be glad to mail copies of two recent publications, "Bird Houses and How to Build Them," and "How to Attract Birds in Northwestern United States."

New District Nurse Chosen.

Association Adopts Rules and Asks For Support of the Public.

At the January meeting of the directors of the Palmer Association for District Nursing, held last week, the nurse committee submitted a special report. This committee has recently secured for the association the services of Miss Wilhelmina G. Gorman, a graduate of St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester, who has completed a special course under the Red Cross Town and County Nursing Service and has done district nursing in Boston previous to coming to Palmer. She comes fully equipped and anxious to help wherever and whenever her services are desired.

The committee adopted the following rules, and hopes to have the interest and support of all citizens:

1. The nurse may respond to one call, but shall render no service without a physician's order.

2. The nurse shall not respond to any except emergency calls after 6 p. m.

3. The nurse shall be allowed to respond to the call of an undertaker when it does not interfere with her regular work.

4. The nurse shall not attend contagious cases.

5. The nurse receives no personal remuneration from patients, but when possible collects twenty-five cents for each visit, for the benefit of the society.

6. On the first of each month, the nurse shall give a report of her work to the chairman of the nurse committee, and turn over all money collected, to the treasurer.

7. The nurse shall have one half day off duty each week, subject to condition of patients and her own discretion, and shall not be required to work on Sunday except in emergency cases.

8. The nurse shall be granted a vacation of one month each year with full pay, and is not expected to practice her profession during that time.

In case of dismissal, the nurse shall receive a month's notice or a month's pay in lieu of notice, and in case of resignation she shall give a month's notice or forfeit a month's pay.

BELCHERTOWN.

The funeral of the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Conkey was held from the home Sunday afternoon.

The Democratic caucus will be held January 19. The date of the Republican caucus has not yet been set.

The report of Everett Howard that he finds fewer gypsy moths this year than in previous years is encouraging. Mrs. Thomas Allen will entertain the Missionary Society of the Congregational church to-morrow afternoon.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Congregational church met with Mrs. Gardner Blackmer yesterday afternoon.

The annual firemen's ball will be held to-morrow night. The Philharmonic orchestra of Springfield will furnish music for the concert and dancing.

The Woman's Relief Corps has elected Mrs. Hattie Dickinson president, Mrs. G. H. B. Greene treasurer, and Mrs. Cora Burnette chaplain.

A committee of five was chosen at a meeting in the town hall Friday to investigate a water supply and to report at the annual town meeting February 1. This committee is made up of D. D. Hazen, F. M. Fuller, E. F. Shumway, J. A. Peeso and A. F. Bardwell.

At the last meeting of A. J. Griggs Post, 97, these officers were installed by Past Commander Myron S. Barton: Commander, A. P. Cook; senior vice commander, Thomas Dewey; junior vice commander, Everett Stebbins; adjutant, Frank Fellows; chaplain, Lyman Shaw; quartermaster, F. W. Fellows; officer of the day, F. W. Shaw; officer of the guard, George W. Coleman; patriotic instructor, Harvey Hadlock.

Vernon lodge of Masons and Mt. Vernon Chapter, O. E. S., conducted a joint installation of officers last week. E. Davis of Chicopee Falls, assisted by Mr. Elder, installed these officers of the lodge: W. M., G. B. Jackson; S. W., James L. Collard; G. W., E. A. R. Fairchild; treasurer, Myron G. Ward; secretary, Harry A. Hopkins; chaplain, J. W. Jackson; marshal, F. D. Walker; D. D., A. R. Lewis; J. D., H. H. Ward; S. S., C. Milton Baggs; J. S., Edward L. Schmidt; I. S., Lucius D. Nutting; tyler, William Orlando. Mrs. Ella Ward, assisted by Mrs. H. H. Ward, installed the officers of the chapter as follows: Worthy matron, Mrs. Sarah E. Bridgman; patron, E. A. R. Fairchild; secretary, Maria Ripley; treasurer, Ella A. Ward; conductress, Mrs. Cuthing; associate, Marian E. Bridgman; chaplain, Elizabeth R. Bridgman; marshal, Jennie A. Walker; organist, Maud F. Stacy; Adah, Phyllis E. Hopkins; Ruth, Jennie H. Hopkins; Esther, Lena B. Ripley; Martha, Lou S. Barton; Electa, Minnie S. Terwilliger; warden, Laura Lewis; sentinel, G. B. Jackson.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

Will be Held This Evening at 7.30 in Town House.

LIST OF NAMES TO BE VOTED FOR.

As Usual, License Commissioners Leads in Number. Only One Other Contest.

The caucus of the Republicans, for the nomination of town officers, will be held the town house at Four Corners this evening at 7.15. The change in date was made for several reasons, principal of which was to find a night on which the stores closed so as to give all who wished an opportunity to attend, and also to secure a night as free as possible from meetings of fraternal orders. It was expected that the caucus would be held in the Depot village, but no suitable place could be found.

As has become customary in recent years, the principal contest is over the selection of license commissioners, the candidates being selected because of their supposed—or known—disposition in the granting of the favors within the power of the board. There is only one other heading under which there is more names than can be voted for, assessor for two years, to fill vacancy. The complete list, with the number to be nominated for each office, is given below, a star indicating present incumbency:

Selectmen. Vote for Three.

*Howard W. Brainerd.
*Charles D. Holden.
*William E. McDonald.

Town Treasurer. Vote for One.

*George E. Clough.

Assessor, 3 years. Vote for One.

*John O. Hamilton.

Assessor, 2 years. Vote for One.

Charles E. Fuller.

Overseer of Poor, 3 years. Vote for One.

*Charles H. Giroux.

Town Clerk, 3 years. Vote for One.

*John F. Foley.

School Committee, 3 years.

Vote for Two.

*John F. Roche.

*William B. Kerigan.

School Committee, 1 year. Vote for One.

George A. Moore.

Board of Health, 3 years. Vote for One.

*Willard C. Hitchcock.

Tax Collector. Vote for One.

*James Austin Hawkes.

Cemetery Commissioner, 3 years.

Vote for One.

*Samuel H. Phillips.

Auditors. Vote for Two.

*Everett W. Carpenter.

*Charles K. Gamwell.

Constables. Vote for Five.

*George A. Bills.

*Michael Collins.

Dalvini Porter Sr.

Thomas Holt Jr.

*Edward F. McKellett.

Highway Surveyor. Vote for One.

*Charles T. Brainerd.

License Commissioners. Vote for Three.

William Burdick.

Edwin P. Duncan.

John W. Fay.

*Patrick H. Garvey.

*Harry Haley.

William C. Millen.

*Horace R. Paine.

*J. Clifford Shaw.

Fence Viewers. Vote for Three.

Joseph M. Allen.

*Dennis Mahoney.

*Purlin M. Shearer.

BRIMFIELD.

Miss Lizzie Goodell, who has been spending a few weeks in the home of C. S. Tarbell, has returned, to her home in Springfield.

Russell Skinner has entered upon a 10-weeks' course of study at Massachusetts Agricultural College, where he will specialize in dairying.

Edward S. Butterfield, secretary and manager of the farmers' co-operative exchange of Brimfield, attended a meeting of the representatives of the state organizations held in Springfield last Friday.

Mrs. Martha Streeter conducted the program at the regular monthly meeting of the Brimfield Auxiliary of the Woman's Board of Missions. The meeting was held at the parsonage and the subject was: "The child at play and the child at work in different lands."

Miss Ethel Spooner has been awarded a third prize in the contest of the State Home Economics Club for her exhibition in Worcester in the works of the boys' and girls' agricultural club. Miss Spooner is a pupil in the Hitchcock Free Academy and a member of the Hampden County Volunteers in the home

MAIN STREET LAND SALE.

A. W. Holbrook Secures Holding Of E. Brown Estate.

WILL ERECT A BIG BLOCK THEREON.

Proposal to Provide Offices For Town Officials on Second Floor of Brick Building.

An important real estate transaction was made the first of this week as a result of the Main street fire on Tuesday morning of last week, when Arthur W. Holbrook bought of the E. Brown estate the land on which the latter's portion of the burned Commercial block stood. This gives Mr. Holbrook the entire frontage on Main street between his monitor block on the west and Bridge street on east. The purchase includes the extension in the rear which was covered with the workshop of the E. Brown Company, and the right of way to it from Bridge street. It does not include however, the land between this driveway and the railroad track, or the small one-story building on it.

While Mr. Holbrook's plans are pretty definitely fixed in a general way, the details are yet to be determined, and will depend on circumstances. He has practically decided, however, to cover the land with a building of some sort. On the west side, where the Marathon Candy Company's store was, he will have a moving picture house, equipped in first-class manner, capable of seating 600 to 800 people. This will run back to a depth of 80 feet or more. A store will also be provided for the business of the E. Brown Company. The Sego Lunch is desirous of occupying the east corner of the building, as before the fire, and E. H. Truesdell will have his market in the same location on Bridge street as for so many years. Mr. Holbrook plans to extend his building out to the street line on Bridge street, and there will be several stores on that side.

But whether the structure will be of one or two stories, brick or wood, remains to be determined. Mr. Holbrook has suggested that the town might like to secure quarters for its several boards of town officials on the second floor of his new building. If such an arrangement could be made, a two-story block of brick, handsome in design and substantial in character, would be put up. If not, it is probable that monitor construction will be followed.

The town has suffered for years for suitable quarters for its town officials. The headquarters of one board is here, and those of another there; a third in still a different place. Town officials have no regular hours or quarters, and are often difficult to locate. This undesirable condition has been realized for some time, but no adequate quarters have been available. Mr. Holbrook proposes to build just what the town desires, after consultation with the authorities, provided the town will give him any assurance that it will rent them of him. In this way the town would accomplish three things: Secure proper and commodious quarters for its officials, insure the erection of a business block which would be a credit to Main street, and materially increase the taxable property of the town. Practically everyone who has been approached in the matter seems to be in favor of the project.

economics department. She won prizes at the agricultural fair at Palmer this fall, and at the annual Grange exhibit in Brimfield, which entitled her to exhibit at Worcester.

At the regular meeting of the Brimfield Equal Suffrage League last Thursday evening plans for the future were discussed and arranged. At the business meeting two amendments to the constitution were proposed, one that the chairman of the district organization committee be made a member of the executive committee, and a second providing that meetings of the executive committee be held at the call of the chairman. Rev. Dr. Neil McPherson of Springfield will give his lecture on "Peace" in March under the auspices of the league, and a committee was appointed to make all arrangements. It was also decided to give a public debate on the question of equal suffrage and to give a play in the spring. It was voted to reimburse the public library for all expense incurred by its hospitality.

The Palmer Trucking Company has leased its ice business to Norman Taylor, who is putting in ice of fine quality.

Honors for Brimfield Boy.

Gets Greatest Corn Yield From Acre in State Boys' and Girls' Contest.

The prize winners in the Massachusetts Boys' and Girls' Corn Club for 1914 have just been announced by Professor O. A. Morton of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, who is in charge of Boys' and Girls' Club work in Massachusetts. There were nearly 100 boys and girls from all over the state enrolled in this club. The work of the club took the nature of a corn growing contest. In order that the contest should have an educational value in addition to the production of a big crop, the prizes were offered and awarded on the basis of the following score card: Yield, 30; profit, 30; sample, 20; experience story, 20. The winner of first prize, which is a trip to Washington, D. C., was John E. Devine of North Hadley with a score of 86.3. On one acre he raised 105 bushels of corn on the ear as weighed in the field, on which he realized a profit of \$40.10. He would not have won first prize, however, except for the fact that he had an excellent exhibit and sent in a fine story of his work. His final score was 7.2 points higher than any other. The second prize, a trip to points of interest in New England, was won by Bernard Hartnett of North Hadley with a score of 79.1. He raised 90.5 bushels with a profit of \$37.32. Three third prizes of one week at the Agricultural College were offered. These were won by Ferdinand J. Ice of Williamsburg, who raised 106 bushels of corn at a profit of \$23.67 and with a score of 69.5; Donald Lent of Maynard, who raised 62.5 bushels at a profit of \$36.70, score 69.3; and Luman Barber of Bernardston, who raised 108 bushels at a profit of \$49.32 and whose score was 67.3. Other boys who completed all the work were John Bishko of North Hadley, score 62.4; Harold L. Cobb, Bernardston, 59.2; Russell G. Skinner, Brimfield, 59; E. Warren Chapin, Chicopee Falls, 59; Standley B. Prouty, Furnace, 53.8; Fred Miller, Bernardston, 51.1; Robert E. Hanifin, Belcherstown, 44; Roger C. Johnson, Hadley, 42.2; H. C. Norcross, Brimfield, 40.9. The honor of the largest yield goes to Russell G. Skinner of Brimfield, who produced 118 bushels to the acre. Last year was a poor season for corn, as it was so wet and cold most of the time, and quite a number became discouraged and failed to complete the work. The average yield for the 15 highest scoring members was 76 bushels, with an average profit of \$19.17.

Return of John McCormack.

Famous Irish Tenor to Sing Again in Springfield Feb. 12.

John McCormack, who is undoubtedly the most popular lyric singer of the present moment, returns to Springfield on Lincoln's birthday for a recital at the Auditorium. McCormack's first visit to the city was April 24, 1913, at the Court Square Theater, when for the first time at that house seats had to be sold on the stage to accommodate the demand. His second visit was March 23, 1914, when he sang at the Auditorium, and again the seating capacity—close to 4000—was inadequate and 150 chairs were sold on the stage.



Mr. McCormack's musical associates on the season's tour are Donald McBeath, the Australian violinist, and Edwin Schneider, pianist. The local management of the McCormack engagement is in charge of John P. Dwight, as were the two previous concerts.

The Irish singer is filling engagements in California, and the Springfield date is his first appearance in the East on his return.

The mail order sale opens next Monday at the music store of M. Steiner & Sons Co., 242 Main street, Springfield, to whom checks should be made payable. The prices are: Floor, \$1.50; balcony, \$2; gallery, \$1 and 75 cents. The experience of the two previous McCormack engagements points to the wisdom of securing seats early.

HAS HAD A GOOD YEAR.

Report of Palmer Savings Bank Is Unusually Good.

CONSIDERING FINANCIAL DEPRESSION.

Gain in Number and Amount of Deposits. The School Savings Account. Officers Chosen.

The condition of the Palmer Savings Bank, as reported to the incorporators at their annual meeting on Monday, was most satisfactory. The resources and liabilities were given as follows: Resources Mortgage loans, \$1,949,721.06; personal loans, three names, \$18,896 personal loans, one name, \$199,712; city and town loans, \$4800; State, city and town bonds, \$217,000; bank stocks, \$10,900; telephone bonds, \$36,425; railroad bonds, \$512,650; bank building, \$51,200; real estate by foreclosure, \$4536.13; unpaid interest, \$1403.94; cash on hand, \$13,773.94; national bank deposits, \$215,064.17; cash items and checks \$394.89; total, \$3,236,477.13. Liabilities—Deposits, \$3,025,050.09; guaranty fund, \$148,582.49; profit and loss, \$62,074.22; real estate income, \$500.40; income real estate acquired \$132.07; real estate under foreclosure, \$137.86; total, \$3,236,477.13.

Considering the general conditions, the past year has been an unusually good one. The gain in deposits was \$72,602, and \$3892 was carried to the guaranty fund, that having now reached the sum of \$148,582. The undivided profits are \$62,074. The surplus for the last six months of the year, after paying expenses, dividends, etc., was \$10,752. The total number of depositors is 8462, and the total deposits \$492,540; 1088 new accounts were opened during the year and 978 were closed, the net gain in number being 110. The sum of \$102,393 was paid in dividends during the year. The school savings account is a most interesting one. It shows that during the year there were 11,405 deposits aggregating \$2,990. There were 67 payments, aggregating \$59.49, these being principally to removals from town. The sum of \$2,854 was taken from the general schools account and 239 pass books of \$1 or more issued to children for individual accounts.

These officers were elected: President, R. C. Newell; first vice president, W. E. Stone; second vice president, C. F. Smith; third vice president, H. E. W. Clark; treasurer, C. L. Waid; clerk, C. A. Tabor; auditors, W. E. Stone, E. B. Taylor, C. A. LeGro; board of investment, R. C. Newell, W. E. Stone, C. F. Smith, H. E. W. Clark, E. E. Hobson; trustees, R. C. Newell, H. E. W. Clark, G. S. Holden, M. J. Dillon, W. E. Stone, G. D. Mooers, L. R. Holden, C. E. Fuller, C. F. Smith, J. O. Hamilton, C. L. Waid, E. B. Taylor, C. A. LeGro, E. E. Hobson, C. A. Tabor, J. F. Foley, F. J. Hamilton.

Wing Hospital Report.

List of Cases in the Past Month, and Summary Since Opening.

The board of managers of the Wing Memorial Hospital give the following report for the month of December: Number of patients in hospital December 1, six; admitted during the month, 27; total for the month, 289; daily average, nine and ten thirty-firsts. There were eight medical cases, 8 surgical, 6 obstetrical and three accident.

Donations for December were: Invalid's chair, Mrs. M. C. Loomis; picture puzzles, friend; bottles for medical cabinet, Mrs. J. F. Holbrook; cards for children, Miss Carrie Roper; Christmas cards for children, friend; flowers, Mrs. A. T. Wing, Mrs. Mead; preserves and pickles, Mr. C. Moulton; pickles, Mrs. C. E. Fish; fern and jardiniere, Miss Wyman; double boiler, Miss E. Mason's Sunday school class of the Congregational church.

The report of the work of the institution since its opening in September is interesting. The total number of patients to January 1 was 111, and the daily average nine. The cost of maintenance was as follows: September, \$416.16; October, \$611.15; November, \$541.14; December, \$551.21; total, \$1847.28. Of these charges the amount paid before Jan. 1 was \$1354. The average cost per patient was: September, \$2.25; October, \$1.79; December, \$2.25.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Congregational church met with Mrs. L. E. Hitchcock of Squier street Tuesday afternoon.

January Value-Giving Comes to a Climax IN THE BIG FURNITURE CLEARANCE

The One Great Trade Event of the Whole Year, Making Possible
Matchless Money-Saving on the Best Furniture in the Land

Now for the sale that you have waited for. Our semi-annual clearance sales of fine furniture have long been recognized as a unique offering—unequalled in the volume and variety of the goods and in the value-giving—the best furniture that money can buy, marked at honest reductions of from 20 per cent. to 50 per cent. on regular prices.

This year our big sale takes on added importance. We have our usual number of patterns now to be discontinued, which must be closed out regardless of cost, and as an added reason for this forced clearance, our floors are overcrowded, owing to the progress of alterations, and we must find room for the new goods soon to arrive. It is thus absolutely necessary that this vast stock be reduced, and reduced quickly, and that it may be closed out in the shortest possible time, orders have been given to make reductions more drastic than ever, and including more goods than ever before.

Many Pieces Marked at Half Price

The Furniture in this great sale has been grouped on two great floors, with the overflow bargains on still a third floor. Every piece of Furniture on these floors, representing the very best productions of the foremost factories of America, have been marked at actual reductions of from 20 per cent to 50 per cent on former prices. You will find a large number of pieces for every room in the house marked at exactly half-price.

Parlor Suites

- Three-piece Suite in solid mahogany, upholstered in silk damask, Reduced from \$136 to **\$68**
- Three-piece Suite in solid mahogany in wing pattern, upholstered in striped velour, Reduced from \$112 to **\$56**
- Two-piece Overstuffed Suite in solid mahogany, upholstered in French tapestry, Reduced from \$142.50 to **\$71.25**
- Two-piece Suite in solid mahogany, upholstered in silk velour, Reduced from \$104 to **\$52**
- Overstuffed Two-piece Suite in velour with solid mahogany frame, Reduced from \$93 to **\$46.50**
- Chinese Chippendale Suite in solid mahogany, upholstered in silk velour, Reduced from \$114 to **\$57**
- Two-piece Mission Suite with mahogany frame, upholstered in Liberty velvet, Reduced from \$126 to **\$63**
- Three-piece Suite in mahogany finish, upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$40 to **\$29**
- Another Three-piece Suite in mahogany finish with loose cushions in panne plush, Reduced from \$30 to **\$22.50**
- Solid Mahogany Chippendale Suite in silk damask, Reduced from \$70 to **\$55**
- Three-piece Colonial Suite in panne plush, Reduced from \$42 to **\$33**
- Another Colonial Suite in silk plush, Reduced from \$45 to **\$37**
- Mahogany Suite with cane panel back, upholstered in silk plush or satin damask, Reduced from \$60 to **\$35**
- Three-piece Chippendale Suite with mahogany panel back, Reduced from \$55 to **\$45**
- Colonial Suite of three pieces in solid mahogany, upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$72 to **\$58**
- Solid Mahogany Suite with hand-carved panel back, upholstered in satin damask, Reduced from \$80 to **\$65**
- Fine Sheraton Suite in solid mahogany with 6 ft. divan, upholstered in striped silk velour, Reduced from \$150 to **\$98**
- Colonial Suite in mahogany with panel back, upholstered in tapestry, Reduced from \$65 to **\$52**

Chairs and Rockers

- Solid Mahogany Reception Chair upholstered in silk damask, Reduced from \$17 to **\$14**
- Solid Mahogany Chair with silk tapestry seat, Reduced from \$18 to **\$12.50**
- Solid Mahogany Chair, hand-somely carved, with silk damask cushion seat, Reduced from \$21 to **\$10.50**
- Colonial Arm Rocker in solid mahogany, with silk tapestry seat, Reduced from \$22.50 to **\$17**
- Mahogany Arm Rocker with haircloth seat, Reduced from \$12 to **\$9.50**
- Mahogany Arm Rocker with haircloth seat, Reduced from \$14.50 to **\$10.50**
- Mahogany Arm Rocker with inlaid panel back and tapestry seat, Reduced from \$14 to **\$10.50**
- Mahogany Arm Rocker in plain velour, Reduced from \$19 to **\$14**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Wing Chair in panne plush, Reduced from \$40 to **\$29**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Rocker, inlaid, upholstered in titian velour, Reduced from \$28.50 to **\$22**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Chair, inlaid, upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$25 to **\$19**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Rocker with tapestry cushion seat, Reduced from \$24 to **\$12**
- Mahogany Arm Rocker with cushion seat and back upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$10.50 to **\$5.25**
- Arm Chair to match, Reduced from \$10.50 to **\$5.25**

Chairs and Rockers

- High-back Arm Chair in solid mahogany, upholstered in panne plush or titian velour, Reduced from \$35.50 to **\$7.75**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Rocker, upholstered in panne plush or titian velour, Reduced from \$36 to **\$18**
- High-back Arm Chair in solid mahogany, upholstered in plain velour, Reduced from \$27.50 to **\$21**
- Colonial Wing Arm Chair, upholstered in red or green velour, Reduced from \$27 to **\$21**
- High-back English Arm Chair in Jacobean oak, full upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$53 to **\$26.50**
- Large Wing Arm Chair, Jacobean style, full upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$65 to **\$32.50**
- Solid Mahogany Wing Arm Rocker or Chair with carved posts, upholstered in fancy velour, Reduced from \$40 to **\$32**
- High-back Wing Arm Chair in solid mahogany, upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$48 to **\$39**
- High-back Wing Arm Chair in solid mahogany, upholstered in striped velour, Reduced from \$48 to **\$39**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Rocker with cushion seat and back, upholstered in silk velvet, Reduced from \$14 to **\$7**
- Solid Mahogany Arm Rocker upholstered in panne plush, Reduced from \$33 to **\$27**
- Large Arm Chair in solid mahogany, full upholstered in French tapestry, Reduced from \$24 to **\$18**
- Rocker to match, Reduced from \$25 to **\$19**

Our Annual Mid-Winter Clearance Sale of

SOROSIS

and Other High-Grade Shoes
STARTS SATURDAY MORNING

Saturday morning we begin our annual mid-winter clearance of Sorosis and other high-grade shoes, most complete offering of hundreds of pairs of these world-famous shoes and slippers, together with other excellent but less well-known makes --- all included at prices that represent a splendid and genuine saving on regular values. This offering includes in complete assortment shoes in all the popular leathers and in the latest and best styles --- shoes recognized as the world's standard of style and quality.

Women's High-Grade Sorosis Shoes

- Patent, tan and black calf skin, and black kid skin -- hand laced shoes. Regular \$10 values at pair **\$6.85**
- Patent, dull calf, black and bronze kidskin, including the popular gaiter tops in fawn, gray and tan, cloth and suede with Spanish covered heels. Regular \$7 values at pair **\$5.65**
- Patent, dull calf and kidskin, including the latest models. Regular \$6 values at pair **\$4.65**
- An assortment of styles embracing all the popular leathers. Regular \$5 values at **\$3.85**
- Button and lace boots in a wide range of styles and leathers Regular \$4 and \$4.50 values at pair **\$3.45**

Sorosis Evening Slippers

- Sorosis evening slippers in a range of styles to meet all requirements, four-bar or strap beaded slippers in black. Regular \$6 values at **\$4.85**
- The same styles in colors. Regular \$8 values at **\$6.45**
- Satin opera slippers in all the dainty evening colors. Regular \$4 values at **\$2.95**
- Sorosis Slipper Trees. Regular 25c values at pair **19c**

Men's Sorosis Shoes

- Men's Sorosis shoes and oxfords in tan and black calfskin, black kidskin and patent leather. Regular \$4 and \$4.50 values at **\$3.45**
- Regular \$5 values at **\$3.85**
- Regular \$5.50 and \$6 values at **\$4.65**
- Boys' Sorosis shoes and oxfords in tan and black calf. Sizes 9 to 13, regular \$2.50 values at **\$2.25**
- Sizes 13½ to 2, regular \$3 values at **\$2.65**
- Sizes 2½ to 6, regular \$3.50 values at **\$3.15**

450 Pair of Women's High and Low Shoes at \$1.00 a Pair

Values up to \$3.50

300 Pair of Women's Button Boots at \$1.98 a pair

Values up to \$3.50

1800 Pair of Women's Rubbers at 43c a Pair High and Low Heels, Regular 60c Grade

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Special Lot of Shoes at \$2.45

At this low price we offer button boots in patent and dull calfskin, with cloth tops. Tan, gray and black suede, also black, gray and fawn gaiter tops. Regular \$3.50 values at **\$2.45**

Special Values in Slippers

- Satin Slippers in black, white, pink and blue Regular \$3 values at **\$1.98**
- One-strap house slippers in black only. Regular \$1.50 values at **\$1.19**
- Sorosis one-strap kid, turned sole house slippers, high and low heels. Regular \$2.50 values at **\$1.95**

Men's and Women's Bath Slippers

- Regular 50c values at pair **25c**
- Men's leather house slippers Regular \$1.50 values at **\$1.19**
- Regular 2.25 values at **1.89**
- Regular 3.00 values at **2.39**

Misses' and Children's Shoes

- Misses' and children's school shoes Sizes 11½ to 2, regular \$2.50 values at **\$1.98**
- Sizes 8½ to 11, regular 2.25 values at **1.79**
- Sizes 8½ to 11, regular 2.00 values at **1.59**
- Infants' turned sole shoes. Regular \$1 values at pair **79c**
- Misses' and growing girls' tan skating boots with buckle tops. Sizes 11½ to 1, regular \$3.00 values at **\$2.49**
- Sizes 2½ to 7, regular 3.50 values at **2.85**
- All Misses' and Children's Sorosis Shoes at a 10 per cent. reduction.

Boys' Heavy Lace Shoes

- Sizes 9 to 2, regular \$2.25 values at **\$1.89**
- Sizes 2½ to 6, regular 3.00 values at **2.39**

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RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE THREE RIVERS FIRE DISTRICT OF THE TOWN OF PALMER.

1. All applications for membership in any company shall be made at a regular monthly meeting, balloted for and if elected, the clerk of the company shall forward the name to the Board of Engineers for their approval, and if approved shall then become a member of the Department after signing an agreement to be deposited with the Board of Engineers.

2. Every officer and member of the Fire Department shall sign the following agreement to be deposited with the Board of Engineers: "I, the undersigned, having been elected and appointed a member of the Three Rivers Fire Department, hereby sign my agreement to abide by all the Rules and Regulations of the Board of Engineers relating thereto. And any officer or member who shall willfully neglect or refuse to sign the same shall not become a member of the Department."

3. Any officer or member of the Fire Department who shall willfully neglect or refuse to perform his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct or disobedience to his superiors in office, shall for such offense be dismissed from the Department.

4. The Chief Engineer shall have sole command at fires over all others and shall direct all proper measures for the extinguishment of fires, and shall have the right of suspension of order and observance of fire laws, rules and regulations, and it shall be the duty of said Chief Engineer to examine into the condition of the Engines and all other Fire Apparatus, and of the houses in the District used for the purpose of the Fire Department as often as circumstances render it so. The Chief Engineer shall, at all times, have the charge of the Apparatus and may at any time call out the Fire Department or any part of it, when in his judgment it is necessary.

5. In case of the absence of the Chief Engineer, the Engineer next in rank, who may be present, shall execute the duties of his office with full power.

6. Any member expecting to be absent from the town one week or more shall procure a substitute to be approved by the Foreman of his company, and shall report to the clerk.

7. The Clerk of the several companies shall make quarterly returns to the Chief Engineer of all absences of the members of their respective companies from fires or fire alarms, or from meetings for the choice of officers.

8. Every company shall hold regular monthly meetings, the Foreman shall preside at all meetings, and in his absence the Assistant Foreman, and in the absence of both, the Clerk shall preside.

9. The officers of each Company shall be elected annually, or whenever a vacancy occurs, by the members of the respective companies, and the names of the members elected shall be reported to the Board of Engineers, and in case of rejection by them, the name of the person so rejected shall be returned to the company, and the members thereof shall select another person for approval.

10. It shall be the duty of the Foreman to preserve order and discipline at all times in their respective companies, and require and enforce strict compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Department, and the orders of the Engineers. They are also to keep a record of the attendance of each member, and exact roll specifying the time of admission, discharge and age of each member, and accounts of all district property entrusted to their care. They are also to make reports to the Chief Engineer, and are personally responsible for the care and good order of his Engine, and shall work and manage the same, and see that it is at all times in condition for immediate use.

11. The use of intoxicating liquors, also gambling in any form, is strictly forbidden in or about any building occupied by the Fire Department, and persons, not members, are not permitted to frequent or loiter in or about the premises.

12. The members of the several companies shall not assemble in the rooms entrusted to their care on the Sabbath, except for the purpose of taking their Apparatus out and to a fire and returning the same, and taking necessary care of the same after its return. This shall not apply to Officers and Stewards of the several companies.

13. The members of the several companies may by vote of a majority of the members approved by laws to govern their respective companies, and the names of the members elected shall be reported to the Board of Engineers, and in case of rejection by them, the name of the person so rejected shall be returned to the company, and the members thereof shall select another person for approval.

14. The Stoker shall, under the direction of the Chief Engineer, assist in the care, cleaning and cleaning of the engine. He will see that the engine is properly supplied with fuel, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the Board of Engineers.

15. The Board of Engineers shall appoint one member of the Fire Department for each Engine House, and it shall be the duty of said member to see that, on the return of said engine and other apparatus, the same will be washed, cleaned, oiled, and securely housed, also that the Hose is properly washed, dried, and placed on hose reel ready for use. It shall be the duty of said member to keep the engine house and all things pertaining thereto as clean as possible, and such other duties as may be required by the Board of Engineers.

16. The Fire Department shall assemble annually for practice and inspection.

17. Any member who shall willfully neglect or refuse to perform his duty, or shall be guilty of disorderly conduct, disobedience to the officers, or to any Engineer, shall be liable to a fine of not less than one (1) nor more than five (5) dollars, for the use of the Department.

18. If any member of the Fire Department shall miss two roll-calls within thirty days, without a reasonable excuse, he shall cease to be a member of the Fire Department. If there are two roll-calls for a fire, or practice, the same shall be counted as one, and if two roll-calls occur within twenty-four hours, only one shall count in this rule.

FIRE.

orderly a manner as may be according to the directions of the engineers, and exert themselves in the most orderly manner possible in working and managing the said apparatus, and performing any duty that they may be called upon to do by any engineer. They will avoid opening the doors and windows of a building where a fire may be, until a supply of water can be procured, and when water is obtained, to apply it judiciously and directly to the parts on fire, and carefully to avoid damaging furniture and goods by water. And upon the order of the chief engineer, they shall return said apparatus in an orderly and quiet manner to the respective places of deposit, provided that, in the absence of all engineers, such direction may be given by their respective Foreman.

3. The Hook and Ladder Company are to proceed with their apparatus to or near the fire, when the commanding officer will report their arrival to the Acting chief engineer. The Foreman of the Hook and Ladder Company will see that no axes are used except by direction of the engineers.

4. In the absence of all the engineers, the Foreman of each engine shall direct the placing of his engine at a suitable place to obtain a supply of water. The Foreman of the engine, hose, hook and ladder company shall have sole charge of, and remain by his company, or apparatus of which he has charge, and direct their operations. Foremen will be held accountable for the conduct of their several companies when on duty, or in their meeting rooms.

5. In the absence of the Foreman of any company, the assistant foreman, if any, otherwise, the superior hoseman connected with the engine of the company shall perform the duties of foreman.

6. No company is to leave a fire, or take apparatus of which they have charge, from the fire without permission from the Chief Engineer, and all members of the Department during a fire except those engaged on special duty, will remain at or near the apparatus to which they are attached.

7. No company shall leave town, in case of fire, in and neighboring town, except by special permission of the Chief Engineer or one of the assistant engineers.

8. A meeting of the Board of Engineers, held April 7th, 1914, was voted to adopt the foregoing as the Rules and Regulations of the Fire Department of the Three Rivers Fire District of the Town of Palmer.

CHARLES S. RUGGLES, Chief Engineer
THOMAS P. PRENDERGAST, 1st Asst
H. A. CHAFFOIX, 3d Asst
A true copy attested.
ALFRED F. CAMERLIN,
Clerk of the Three Rivers Fire District of the Town of Palmer
April 13, 1914.

Boston, Mass., November 16, 1914.
Approved with the exception of paragraph two, nine and ten of subdivision "Fires."

THOMAS J. BOYNTON, Attorney-General.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

To the Palmer Savings Bank, a duly existing corporation having an usual place of business in the County of Hampshire, and said Commonwealth: John Gebel, Katherine T. Loftus, Jeremiah J. Kelley and Mary A. Thayer, of said Palmer; Luella Winkley of East Barrington, in the State of New Hampshire; Frederick A. Thayer of Biddeford, in the State of Maine; and to all whom it may concern:

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Lucy A. Bishop of Hartford, in the State of Connecticut, to register and confirm her title in the following described land: a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, bounded and contained as follows:

Beginning at an iron pin in the southwesterly line of Commercial street in the village of Thorndike, in said Palmer, at the northeasterly corner of land of Jeremiah J. Kelley, thence along said line of property, N. 63 degrees 29 minutes W. 143.5 feet to a stone bound in the northeasterly side of 11th street, thence along said 11th street N. 28 degrees 36 minutes W. 33.5 feet to a stone bound in line of land of Katherine T. Loftus, thence along said line of land of said Loftus S. 63 degrees 33 minutes E. 134.5 feet to an iron pin in the southwesterly side of said Commercial street; thence S. 19 degrees 9 minutes E. 100 feet to said Commercial street 60 feet to the place of beginning.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

And whereas, said petition was presented to said Court, to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken for granted, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Your appearance and answer, as provided in Section 33 of Chapter 128 of the Revised Laws, may be filed with James R. Wells, Assistant Recorder of said Court, at the Registry of Deeds at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, with whom a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited. Witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of December in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Attest with Seal of said Court.

CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

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Doings of the Legislature.

Walsh's Second Term—Walker and Brown Removal—Falling Out With Lomasney—Try For Short Session—Woman Suffrage Movement Droops—Tax Reform Ignored by Governor.

Special to the Journal.

BOSTON, January 11.—At the top of the column it is fitting to put the noticeably changed status of Gov. Walsh as he assumes his second round of gubernatorial work, compared with the white and spotless sheet of paper with which he began his first. There is noticeable a marked lowering of prestige, so that it is a matter of comment on the part of state house observers, probably the Hall pardon did as much as anything to start the feeling. Then have followed the cases of Commissioner Walker of the department of animal industry and of Supervisor Brown of the state loan agency supervision office. There have been other pardon cases also which have not had a good look. Putting all these together, and other things with them, there has resulted quite a different feeling toward the governor from that of one year ago when he first entered his high office.

Added to this is the further fact that he was the only Democratic state candidate who survived the November election, and that the Republicans are confident of carrying the entire state next time, and the result is that the Democratic party is in a much weaker position than it was a year ago. Then the Republicans were in a minority in the House of Representatives and had elected their candidate for speaker only by a coalition with the Progressives who would not follow the Lomasney leadership. In the Senate they had a bare majority of one out of the total of 40, and thus they were not in a majority on joint convention and it was only by the skin of the teeth and work to harmonize the Progressives that the Republicans maintained their prestige during the session. This year they have 33 out of the 40 senators, leaving only seven to the Democrats, with the Progressives minus everything, instead of the two they had last year. In the House the Progressives number only two against 17 last year, while the Republicans have jumped from 117 to 148, or 28 more than half, while the Democrats are down to 87. Thus every-thing is strongly Republican but the governor.

What has hurt the governor in connection with Walker and Brown is the patent fact that neither of these officials had a decent hearing, but was tried by star-chamber proceedings of the governor and council, no charges having been preferred and the accused men not being allowed to face any accuser. Yet they were both summarily removed and with needlessly severe language and reflections upon their personal character. Walker was charged with having practiced deception on the owners of cattle killed for foot and mouth disease, and Brown was charged—by implication and insinuation—with having had such relations with money sharks before he was appointed to office that he was not a fit man to be supervisor of loan agencies.

Walker has retained John P. Feeney as counsel and he has put out a statement which sets forth Walker's course in an entirely different and honorable light, refuting absolutely the governor's charges; while Brown, on his own account, has repelled the governor's insinuation by a flat denial. Friends of Walker and Brown know that they are absolutely honest and reliable, as much as any man can be positive about anything relating to his friend. Brown has officially asked for an investigation by the Legislature, for he got in his report to the Legislature before he was removed, and Walker will also not rest with things as they are.

It is quite possible that the commission on economy and efficiency, on whose recommendation Gov. Walsh acted in Walker's case, will come in for a share of public investigation and criticism before the case is ended. At any rate, the entire situation is bad for the governor and bad for the Democracy. As a matter of fair play to Walker and Brown, one of whom is a Republican and the other a Democrat, they are entitled to have their reputations cleared of the smirch which somebody seems to have tried to put upon them and against which their personal characters are their only defense.

In addition to this source of the governor's weakness, there seems to be a falling out between him and Martin M. Lomasney, the Democratic boss of Boston. Gov. Walsh is supposed to have preferred Representative John F. Doherty of Fall River as the Democratic candidate for speaker of the House, and there is no doubt that he was as good a candidate as the party could have selected from its House membership. But, at the Democratic caucus, Lomasney was on hand, whipping all he could into line for Edward F. McLaughlin of Boston, not as desirable a candidate, and Lomasney's man won by a large margin. It was said at the time that Lomasney had not been to see the governor for months and that there was a break between the two party leaders. Thus the situation seems to be returning to old conditions for the recently victorious Democrats.

Channing H. Cox of Boston, the new speaker, put himself on record with one flat statement which will work to his credit. While he urged the importance of a short session and told them how prorogation might be reached by April 30, he added that between a short session with work poorly done, and careful attention to business so that the work should be done well, the latter was to be preferred. He was right there. There have been speakers who have not scrupled to sacrifice the public welfare in order to jam through the business and get an early prorogation. Of course it is not probable that prorogation can be reached by April 30, but, on the other hand, with fair attention to business, the session need not drag into July, as it did last year.

It was to be noticed that there was less of a demonstration for woman suffrage than was to have been expected in view of the fact that the constitutional amendment passed the Legislature last year with little opposition, in accord with a supposed policy to refer the matter to the people.

It seemed as if the governor were to get a strong endorsement of it in the reading of this inaugural, but when the critical point actually came, the applause was much less than was anticipated and it seems as if the cause has lost ground during the year. Doubtless the disappearance of the English suffragets, owing to the war, has reduced the public interest in the movement, and it seems now quite possible that the amendment will fail this year, especially since much of its support last session was from members who are personally against it and voted for it only that they might have a good chance to kill it at the polls.

The year 1920 is now in sight and this 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth will doubtless be abundantly celebrated. There has been presented in the Legislature one bill appropriating \$300,000 for an exposition to be held that year in or near Boston as a celebration of the occasion, while there is another similar petition which carries an appropriation of \$25,000 for this year. Doubtless some men would be glad to get their hands into the state treasury for three years as managers of such an enterprise at a munificent salary. But there is already heard criticism to the effect that such a sordid and common thing as an exposition is not at all an adequate celebration of such a spiritual and political movement as the migration of the Pilgrims.

Questions are asked how it is that Gov. Walsh, with his strong support last year of the proposed tax reform constitutional amendment, and with the fact that the subject is of high importance this year, neglected to mention it at all in his inaugural. There is uneasiness over it, because the selfish interests over in State street are stirring up opposition to it. The subject is admitted to be one of the most important and difficult in all our state's problems it will be very unfortunate if the friends of reform are not united. During all these years of agitation, the tax-dodgers have been able to prevent progress. Now, as our situation has become so bad as to be intolerable, it is particularly unfortunate that the governor should seem to sidestep the amendment. There will be a future to this movement.

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Prospects Good For Lively Town Meeting.

A lively town meeting is looked for from present indications. Among the office seekers for selectmen are Thomas E. Haley, Hormisdas St. Onge and Arthur F. Thayer, all members of the present board and looking for reelection, Hubert M. Coney, a former member of the board; and James Anderson, who was quite a strong candidate last year. For the board of assessors to fill the vacancy of Amable Gareau, whose term expires this year and who is not a candidate for reelection, are Fred J. Bombard, Edwin E. Lawton and Henry Provost Jr. Frederick W. Farrar, tax collector for the town for many years, is not a candidate for reelection and for his place are Louis N. Dupont, George O. Packard, George W. Dillon, Daniel G. Buskey, Joseph H. Walker, who recently resigned as superintendent of the Charles A. Stephens Company's mills, has announced his candidacy for the office of town clerk and treasurer, made vacant by the resignation of E. P. Morse. The only other candidate for the office is Arthur L. Davis. There are three in the race for superintendent of streets, Perry E. Dunham, the present incumbent, George C. Wesson, who has held the office previously for several terms, and John R. Hennessey, who has several times been a candidate. The Republicans and Democrats will have a joint caucus this year, when the names of candidates will be voted upon, and the successful ones will be put upon the final ballot.

There will be a sacred concert in the town hall next Sunday evening under the auspices of the men of Mt. Carmel church for the benefit of a new church. The chorus will be composed of about 50 voices.

The fire department was called out early Saturday morning to a fire in a tenement on Ross avenue occupied by William McIntyre and family. The

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No. 540, 68-inch, \$1.25 \$1.10

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No. 600, 70-inch, 89c 79c
No. 950, 72-inch, \$1.25 \$1.00
No. 775, 72-inch, \$1.39 \$1.25
No. 800, 1000, 72-inch, \$1.50 \$1.25
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blaze was confined to the cellar among some old clothing, in which it is supposed that matches must have been ignited by mice. It was quickly put out without much damage.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Kilmer of Ware Center were given a surprise on their 16th wedding anniversary by their fellow members of the Ware Grange in Grange Hall Thursday evening. About 65 members were present and a program of music and readings was enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Kilmer were presented with a number of pieces of china and with a purse of money.

The Republican town committee organized as follows last Thursday evening: Chairman, W. C. Lincoln; secretary, J. F. McEllehenney; treasurer, H. W. Robinson. Other members of the committee are William N. Howard and Joseph Dupre. At a joint meeting of the Republican and Democratic committees held later it was voted to hold a joint caucus on Tuesday, Jan. 19.

Past Master E. D. Winslow and Mrs. Winslow installed the officers of Ware Valley Grange last Wednesday evening as follows: Master, Harry A. Tucker; overseer, Verne Thayer; lecturer, Edward Smith; steward, Herbert F. Barnes; assistant, John E. Malboeuf; chaplain, Cora I. Johnson; secretary, W. W. Gibbs; treasurer, Wilfred Lawson; gate keeper, Herbert Wilkinson; Ceres, Miss Dora Hamelin; Pomona, Miss Mary Kane; Flora, Miss Edna Malboeuf; lady assistant steward, Miss Cora G. Amsden; executive committee for three years, Dr. James E. Kennelly. After the installation exercises there was a musical program.

Past Master Charles W. Felton of Enfield installed these officers of Ware Grange at Ware Center Friday evening: Master, Frank H. Harwood; overseer, C. W. Howard; lecturer, Mrs. A. G. Buffington; secretary, Miss M. R. Howard; treasurer, Mrs. C. O. Buffington; chaplain, Rev. Roland D. Sawyer; steward, Harry Castledine; assistant steward, Herbert Kendrick; lady assistant, Miss Mary Castledine; gate keeper, William F. Avery; Ceres, Miss Florence Kendrick; Pomona, Miss Ruth Sawyer; Flora, Miss Katherine Moore; executive committee for three years, Rev. Roland D. Sawyer. The retiring master, C. O. Buffington, was presented with a past master's pin, and Mrs. Buffington was given a Grange pin in recognition of their services during the past year.

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A. O. H. Installation Sunday.

Division 15, A. O. H., will hold their regular monthly business meeting in the Knights of Columbus Hall, Palmer, next Sunday, Jan. 17, at 1.30 p. m. After the regular meeting there will be a smoke-talk for members and invited friends, at which there will be speaking by Rev. P. J. Griffin of Thorndike, State Vice President P. J. Dowd of Holyoke, County President James J. Fitzgerald of Springfield, Patrick Hagerty of Springfield and J. J. O'Connor of Holyoke. The following officers will be installed: President, Daniel J. Dunn; vice president, William Donovan; recording secretary, Peter Cahill; financial secretary, Patrick Ford; treasurer, Patrick Sullivan; sergeant at arms, Charles Dullahan; sentinel, John Brosnan; marshal, Hugh Flynn; high standing committee, Daniel Brosnan, Dennis E. O'Connor, Michael Collins, Hugh Flynn and Michael McKelligott.

Sudden Death of Mrs. J. J. Todd.

Mrs. Mary Todd, wife of James Todd of Pine street, died at her home shortly after 9 o'clock Sunday evening from heart disease, following a sudden and unexpected attack while on the street. Mrs. Todd and her daughter, Dora, were on their way to South Main street to visit Mrs. Todd's son, Horace G., who lives at No. 262. Mrs. Todd was taken suddenly ill near the corner of Park and Central streets; Dr. J. P. Schneider was called and she was removed to her home, but expired soon after reaching it. Besides her husband, who is employed by the Central Vermont railroad as a section foreman, she leaves three sons, Horace G. of Palmer, Arthur J., a policeman in Boston, and Walter J. at home; and three daughters, Jane and Dora at home, and Mrs. John P. Sloan of Worcester. The funeral was held from St. Thomas' Catholic church yesterday morning, with burial in St. Thomas' cemetery.

Registrars of Voters Will Meet.

The board of registrars of voters met last evening in the selectmen's room for the purpose of registering voters for the town election. They will meet in the Boston Duck Co's. hall in Bondsville next Monday evening from 6.45 to 7.45; at Ruggles' Hall in Three Rivers next Wednesday evening from 6.15 to 7.15; in Temperance Hall, Thorndike, the same evening from 7.30 to 8.30; and in the selectmen's room in Palmer on Saturday of next week, from noon until 10 o'clock at night. This will be the last opportunity to register for the town election.

Town Warrant Articles.

The selectmen announce that all articles for insertion in the warrant for the annual town meeting must be in the hands of some member of the board not later than Saturday evening of this week. The warrant must be published some time before the meeting, and it takes some time to prepare the document. When the warrant is drawn the selectmen will, in accordance with a vote of the town, appoint a committee of fifteen who shall consider the articles asking for appropriations and make recommendations thereon at the appropriation meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshal Howard of Malone, N. Y., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stone of Squier street.

Charles A. LeGro is back at his former place in the Lynde drug store, and will be glad to see his many friends there again.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy Scouts met Tuesday evening in the Congregational church. Mr. Patey, the instructor from Springfield, was not present, so the boys adjourned to Mr. Allen's for a time, after which they returned to the church for boxing and wrestling practice.

At the meeting of the stockholders of the Palmer National Bank Tuesday afternoon the following officers were elected: Directors, E. G. Childs, C. A. LeGro, H. W. Holbrook, Edward Fairbanks, J. F. Foley. Later the directors organized as follows: President, E. G. Childs; vice president, C. A. LeGro; clerk, Louis J. Prainerd.

Dancing Class Reception.

Juveniles Will Entertain To-night at Memorial Hall.

The pupils of Mrs. Lowell's dancing class for juveniles, which has been receiving lessons in Memorial Hall for some weeks, will give a reception to the public this evening. The program will be:

March.
Two Step (The Class)
"La Pavlova"
Doris Brooks and William Chamberlain
Hesitation Waltz (The Class)
"Deutsche Tante"
Alice MacDonald and Vernon Kempton
"The Scarecrows"
William Keefe, Sherwood Wald Clayton Holden, Rufus Bond, Gordon Dean, Wilfred Fitch, Fred Davis, Franklin Simonds
Persian One Step (The Class)
"Castle Polka"
Esther Holbrook and Everett Shaw
Fantasy (The Class)
"Young America"
Irene Henry and William Faulkner
"Dance of the Seasons"
Spring
Doris Wald and Eileen Sullivan
Summer
Mary Burns and Irene Hamilton
Autumn
Helen Randlett and Anna Loftus
Winter
Lydia Darby and Phyllis Dean
Military Gavotte (The Class)

Visitors are invited to join in the final two-step and waltz, "Auf Wiedersehn."

Two Chimney Fires.

The firemen were called to the Converse House block about 8 o'clock Monday night by a fire in the chimney connected with the heating apparatus in the basement. They found a fire not only in the chimney but in the pipe leading from the heater to the chimney. The former was easily put out from the roof, but the latter had rendered the pipe too hot to be handled, so the men hung around until it had burned itself out, which was about 11 o'clock. The whole affair was handled quietly and the patrons of the hotel were not alarmed or disturbed. The men were summoned by telephone about 11 o'clock Tuesday forenoon to the Lawrence block on Main street, where a burning chimney threatened damage until the firemen extinguished the fire.

Death of Miss Mary A. Oliver.

Miss Mary A. Oliver, 79, died Monday morning in the home of A. F. Bennett in the Forest Lake district, for whom she had acted as housekeeper for a number of years. Miss Oliver was born in Royalston, the daughter of George and Cynthia Oliver, but had made her home in Palmer for the past 28 years. She sustained a shock last September and had been confined to her bed since that time. Miss Oliver is survived by one sister, Mrs. Lucy A. Royce of this town. The funeral was held yesterday afternoon, Rev. O. S. Raspe of the Universalist church officiating. The body was taken to Athol to-day for burial.

Landlord Burns Also Helped.

Through a lack of information Landlord C. H. Burns of the Burns House was omitted from the list of those who aided the firemen at the Commercial block fire on Tuesday morning of last week. Mr. Burns furnished hot coffee and sandwiches for the men all through the forenoon.

Will Give Old Folks' Concert.

The Palmer fire department is preparing to give an Old Folks' Concert in the near future, though the date has not been definitely fixed. Rehearsals are being held in the upstairs room of the enginehouse under the direction of Miss Cantwell, supervisor of music in the public schools.

Mrs. J. H. Palmer entertained the "N. G. C." at the parsonage of the Baptist church Monday afternoon.

Timothy Sullivan of Thorndike will erect a concrete garage on the lot at the corner of North Main and Randall streets, which he recently purchased from Henry J. Fields of Greenfield.

William J. Barry of Fitchburg, who has been in the employ of the Bay State Drug Company for the past year, severed his connection with the Palmer store last Saturday. He was given a farewell reception Tuesday evening by a number of friends in the Knights of Columbus rooms, and presented with a handsome gold watch chain. He is succeeded for the present by A. A. Fortune of the company's Fitchburg store, who has been here previously.

The funeral of Henry R. Patterson, the four-years-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson of North Main street, who died last Thursday after an illness of over a year, was held Saturday afternoon from the home. Rev. Eric Allen of the Congregational church officiated, and burial was in Oak Knoll cemetery.

The following officers were installed in the Grange at their hall Friday evening: Master, F. D. Rogers; overseer, A. M. Walker; lecturer, Addie C. Hamilton; steward, R. S. Stebbins; assistant steward, Fred I. Collis; chaplain, Rev. James Enman; treasurer, J. O. Hamilton; secretary, Effie J. Freeman; gate-keeper, C. N. Lanphear; Ceres, Ethel Jenks; Pomona, Merle Harris; Flora, Viola Williams; lady assistant steward, Bessie Jenks; executive committee for three years, John Knight; for two years, C. W. Carpenter. C. W. Carpenter, the retiring master, was presented with a past master's jewel after the installation exercises, and a collation was served.

Death of Mrs. Clarence M. Wing.

Mrs. Ola Northrop M. Wing, wife of Clarence M. Wing of Greenville, S. C., both formerly of Palmer, died in a hospital in Greenville Sunday, following an attack of peritonitis from which she first suffered about two months ago. She went almost at once to the hospital and for a time seemed to respond to the treatment, being reported as much better about three weeks ago. She began to grow worse however and an operation was performed as a last resort, but without avail. Mrs. Wing was the daughter of the late Herbert A. and Josie M. Northrop, and was born in Palmer December 25, 1878. Her entire life, up to the time of her marriage, was spent in Palmer. She was graduated from the Palmer high school and from Mount Holyoke College. She was married, September 19, 1899, to Clarence M. Wing, then of Palmer; later they removed to Greenville, where Mr. Wing is engaged in business. Besides her husband she leaves one daughter, Josephine, and her mother, Mrs. Northrop. The body was brought to Palmer and the funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of Mrs. Northrop on Central street. Rev. Otto S. Raspe of the Universalist church officiated, and burial was in the Oak Knoll cemetery.

Opera House Notes.

A special program will be presented at the opera house next Monday evening, "Kid Laroche," the French Terror of Indian Orchard, and Young Dreschler, the Flying Dutchman of Palmer, will give an exhibition wrestling bout. There will be a Tartan torch and gun swinging act, in addition to the usual reels of pictures. There will be no advance in prices.

The serial, "Zudora," which was announced to start January 22 has been changed to next Tuesday and will run each Tuesday night thereafter to completion. The last of the "Perils of Pauline" will be shown to-morrow night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Marcy left Palmer Tuesday for Florida, and expect to be gone about three months.

Dr. and Mrs. W. E. Sedgwick are at their home on Pleasant street, having returned from their wedding trip.

The Sons of St. George announce a social dance in Odd Fellows Hall on Thursday evening of next week.

The Entre Nous Whist Club met at the home of Mrs. R. A. Greene on State avenue last Friday evening.

Mrs. O. D. Greene of Bethel, Vt., is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. A. Greene of State avenue.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America, will hold a meeting next Tuesday evening in the Knights of Columbus hall.

A. E. Fitch entertained the members of his Sunday school class at a supper at his home on Central street Monday evening, and afterwards with the attractions of his wireless telegraph apparatus.

Charles L. Osborne, 57, of the Forest Lake district, died in his home Sunday evening. He leaves a brother, William H. Osborn of this town. The funeral services were held from his late home yesterday afternoon, Rev. O. S. Raspe officiating; burial was in Aspen Grove cemetery in Ware.

The Heweha Campfire Girls met at the home of Marion Albino in Bondsville Monday evening. Each girl invited a young man and a party of about 24 assembled. After skating for two or three hours the party adjourned to the house, enjoyed a bountiful supper, and passed the rest of the evening in song and conversation.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. King, who lost everything in the Commercial block fire of last week, "Chipped in" and gave them a donation of over \$30 this week. Seventeen years ago, the week before this fire, the Kings, who were then living on a farm in Monson near State Line, lost everything they possessed by fire.

At a public installation of Reverend chapter, O. E. S., last evening in Masonic Hall, these officers were installed by Reverend chapter, O. E. S.: Worthy matron, Lottie Holden; worthy patron, Burtis Whittemore; associate matron, Elizabeth Loy; secretary, Jennie Brainerd; treasurer, Ida Whitcomb; conductress, Mabel Anderson; associate conductress, Edith Faunce; Ada, Mabel Sanborn; Ruth, Ethel Potter; Esther, Gertrude Whittemore; Martha, Alice Collins; Electa, Jennie Taylor; chaplain, Emma Keith; Marshal, Susan Lee; pianist, Anna Thayer; warden, Mary Lyon; sentinel, Alfred Swann. The installing officer was Past Grand Matron Leona Gowdy assisted by Past Grand Marshal Mrs. Nellie Connor, both of Westfield. The music for the evening was furnished by Karcher's orchestra of Springfield.

After the regular business of the meeting Reverend chapter was presented with a Bible from Past Matron Mrs. Alvira Shaw, and the installing officers were presented with souvenirs of the occasion from the chapter. E. J. Loy making the presentations. The retiring matron, Mrs. Lettie Paine, was presented with a past matron's jewel by the newly-installed matron, Mrs. Lottie Holden. A pleasing feature of the program was the presentation to the new matron, Mrs. Holden, of a handsome basket of flowers from the officers, Miss Eileen Loy of Bondsville making the presentation.

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John P. O'Connor, chairman of the Democratic town committee, attended the inauguration of Gov. Walsh last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Norman of Holbrook street have returned from a holiday trip to their former home in Warren, Pa.

Rev. E. Allen of Sharon, Ct., will preach in the Advent church next Sunday at 8 and 7 p. m. Sunday school at 2 p. m.

The officers of L. L. Merrick G. A. R. post were installed last evening at a special meeting after the regular.

The Democratic caucus for the nomination of town officers will be held in Temperance Hall, Thorndike, on Tuesday evening of next week.

There will be a special free electric car to the Republican caucus this evening, leaving at 7 o'clock, provided by Republican candidates.

The women of the Baptist church were entertained by the Ladies' Benevolent Society of that church at a social tea in the church parlors yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Kate McGrath returned Tuesday to her home on Knox street from the House of Providence Hospital in Holyoke, where she has been for a few weeks, much improved in health.

The three-years-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Greenwood was taken Sunday to the Wing Memorial Hospital for an operation, and is recovering nicely.

At the installation of officers of the trolleyman's association in Springfield Tuesday evening, John W. Millerick of Palmer was installed as a member of the executive committee.

The directors of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society met at the Converse House Tuesday afternoon and revised the premium list for the fair next fall. Another meeting will be held in a short time.

Mrs. Daphne S. Narramore, widow of the late Henry Narramore and sister of A. A. Warriner of North Main street, died last Friday at her home in Sharon at the age of 77. Besides Mr. Warriner she leaves two other brothers, S. C. Warriner of Springfield and A. E. Warriner of Somona, Cal.; also one sister, Mrs. Roland Clark of Royalston.

The officers of Palmer Lodge of Odd Fellows were installed last evening: Noble grand, Harry W. Randall; vice grand, Gordon Fays; recording secretary, Ralph Hanscom; financial secretary, Lewis R. Holden; treasurer, Welden E. Smith; warden, John Wilson; chaplain, Charles Collis; conductor, George A. Sullivan; R. S. S., Frank Lamb; L. S. S., James B. Hutton; R. S. N. G., E. A. Maxwell; L. S. N. G., Harry I. White; R. S. V. G., Burt Greene; L. S. V. G., E. H. Peebles; inside guardian, William Morse; outside guardian, Erwin Sharratt.

At a meeting of the Ladies' Social Union of the Universalist church at the home of Mrs. Keith Tuesday afternoon these officers were chosen: President, Mrs. W. L. Shaw; assistants, Mrs. H. R. Paine, Mrs. Carrie Holbrook, Mrs. Della Clark, Mrs. Emma A. Gunn, Mrs. Charles Fish and Mrs. Florence Harwood; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Ellen S. Leach; collector, Mrs. H. W. Holbrook; assistant collector, Miss Esther Holbrook. Mrs. F. N. Carpenter was chosen president of the Doreas Society, and Mrs. S. W. Lyon collector.

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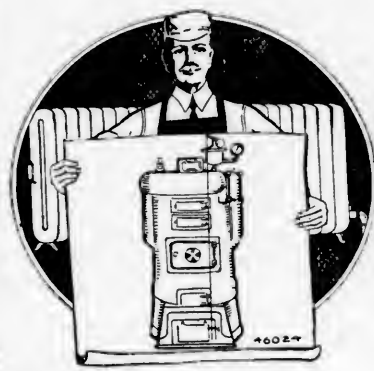
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Mr. and Mrs. George Patterson.
Palmer, Mass., Jan. 11, 1915.

Card.—We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to E. Goodes and all others who contributed to help make up our loss in the recent Commercial Block fire.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. King.
Palmer, Jan. 12, 1915.

DIED.

In Monson, 7th, Daniel P. Looney, 71.
In Palmer (Four Corners), 9th, Mrs. E. Dimo, 64.
In Palmer, 10th, Mrs. James A. Todd.
In Palmer, 11th, Miss Mary A. Oliver, 79.
In Greenville, S. C., 10th, Mrs. Ola Northrop Wing, daughter of Mrs. H. A. Northrop of Palmer.

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NOTICE TO VOTERS. REGISTRATION.

Office of Board of Registrars of Voters.
Palmer, Mass., Jan. 12, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session Monday, Jan. 18, in the Boston Duck Company's Hall, Bondsville, from 6:45 to 7:45 p. m. Wednesday, Jan. 20, Ruggles Hall, Three Rivers, from 6:15 to 7:15 p. m.; Wednesday, Jan. 20, Temperance Hall, Thorndike, from 7:30 to 8:30 p. m.; and at the Selectmen's Room, Library Building, Depot Village, Saturday, Jan. 23, from 12 m. to 10 p. m., for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualifications of persons claiming a right to vote at the election to be held on Monday, Feb. 1, 1915, and of correcting the list of voters' list (except to correct omissions made by clerical error or mistake) after 10 o'clock of the evening of Saturday, January 23, 1915, at which time registration closes.

By order of the Board of Registrars of Voters.

CHARLES H. BANNISTER, Board of
FREEMAN A. SMITH, Registrars.
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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PALMER NATIONAL BANK, at Palmer in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, December 31, 1914.

Resources.	
Loans and discounts	\$348,795.44
Overdrafts, unsecured	350.92
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
(par value)	100,000.00
Other bonds to secure Postal	7,000.00
Savings	250,987.50
Bonds, securities on hand (other than stocks), including premiums on same	250,987.50
Subscription to stock of Federal Reserve Bank	\$8,400.00
Less amount unpaid	7,000.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	2,500.00
Other real estate owned	1,300.00
Due from Federal Reserve Bank	11,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents in Central Reserve Cities	3,860.62
In other reserve cities	10,802.56
Outside checks and other cash items	2,541.49
Notes of other National Banks	2,079.00
Lawful Money held in Bank, viz:	
Specie	\$19,692.95
Legal-tender notes	10,917.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (not more than 5 per cent on circulation)	5,000.00
Total	\$784,487.48

Liabilities.	
Capital Stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	40,000.00
Undivided profits	\$28,377.29
Less current expenses, interest and taxes paid	3,056.37
Circulating notes	\$100,000.00
Less amount on hand and in Treasury for redemption or in transit	99,950.00
Due to banks and bankers (other than above)	40,123.15
Dividends unpaid	10.00
Demand Deposits:	
Individual deposits subject to check	\$35,505.77
Certificates of deposit due in less than 90 days	60,075.52
Certified Checks	3,326.53
Cashier's checks outstanding	5.00
Postal savings deposits	3,439.64
State and municipal deposits, 19,602.31	419,954.77
Time Deposits:	
Deposits subject to 30 or more days' notice	44,128.64
Bills payable, including obligations representing money borrowed	15,000.00
Total	\$784,487.48

State of Massachusetts, County of Hampden,
I, L. J. Brainerd, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. J. BRAINERD, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1915.

CHAS. L. WAID,
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:
E. G. CHILDS,
C. A. LEURO,
JOHN F. FOLEY,
Directors.

High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

The Seniors held a food sale to-day for the benefit of the Washington trip fund.

The girls' basketball team is to elect a manager soon, to arrange for outside games.

Henry Johnson and Chester Burgess, both '14 graduates, have returned to school for post-graduate courses.

The basketball team will play Ludlow High to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock, in Union Hall, Thorndike.

James Royce, '15, has been absent over a week on account of illness, and Roger Holden, '15, has been out a part of the week.

Mr. Albro entertained the Senior English class last Thursday morning by a twenty-minute speech on "Ice Harvesting."

The Senior Play committee met with Mr. Kiley Tuesday afternoon to make plans for the play and to arrange for tryouts for the cast.

Both the girls and boys had basketball practice Monday and Wednesday afternoons. The boys' squad is not as large as is desired.

The teachers are beginning to have a general summary and review of the year's work, in preparation for the mid-year examinations, soon due.

Raymond Holden, '15, gave an interesting 20-minute speech on "The Hundred Years Peace between England and the United States," to the Senior English class Friday morning. Principal Hurley has posted a list of those who are at present eligible for graduation. Almost all of the class are above passing now. These lists will be posted monthly until the close of school.

The new jerseys for the basketball team have arrived. Five of them are a present from Principal Hurley, and the other three were purchased by the Athletic Association. The jerseys are brown, with a stripe around the chest.

Owing to the delay of the electric car on account of sand on the tracks the Bondsville pupils, who comprise a large percentage of the number in the school, were delayed last Thursday morning until about 10:30.

The first debate of the Forum will be held to-morrow afternoon in Miss Clark's room for the benefit of the Seniors and Juniors. The question is, "Resolved: That children under 16 should not be allowed to work in confining industries." The affirmative will be upheld by Ardell Rich '16, and Wilfred Lyon '15; the negative by Rubie Jones '15, and Bernard Loftus '16. The meeting will be presided over by the president of the society, Roger Holden '15, and Helen Newbury '16. The critic will be Lawrence Martin, P. G. The contestants have had considerable time to gather and prepare material, and a good lively debate is predicted.

The basketball team met with its third defeat of the season last Friday at the hands of the Wilbraham Academy quintet. An escort of loyal rooters accompanied the team to Wilbraham. The Palmer boys were clearly outclassed and the outcome of the game was evident from the very start. The Palmers rallied in the second half and gave the Wilbraham five a much harder fight than in the first, but the rally came too late to do much good. Bolles featured for Wilbraham and Martin for Palmer. The lineup was as follows:

Wilbraham.	Palmer.
Breakspear, 1 f	r. f. Martin
Bolles, Chapin, r. f.	l. b. Bronson, Lyon
Green, Bolles, c.	c. Monat, Albro
Meyer, Foster, l. b.	r. f. Albro, Magee
Warden, Green, r. b.	l. f. Keefe

Score: Wilbraham 49, Palmer 14; baskets from floor, Breakspear 5, Bolles 1, Greene 3, Meyer 3, Chapin 2, Keefe, Albro, Martin 2; free tries missed, Bolles 3, Albro 2; free tries missed, Bolles 3, Albro 2. Referee, Metcalf, Y. M. C. A. College; Timer, Ripley. Time, 20 and 15 minute periods.

CHEERFULNESS.
Cheerfulness is as natural to the heart of man in strong health as glow to his cheek, and wherever there is habitual gloom there must be either bad air, unwholesome food, improperly severe labor or erring habits of life.—Ruskin.

IN PALMER.

The Evidence Is Supplied by Local Testimony.

If the reader wants stronger proof than the following statement and experience of a resident of Palmer, what can it be?

Mrs. F. O. Munger, 32 Pleasant St., Palmer, says: "I frequently had dizzy spells and specks seemed to be floating before my eyes. My back bothered me and I had rheumatic pains. Often I was nervous. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and began taking them. In a week I was cured. The terrible backache and other kidney ailments left me."

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Where Wives Are Kept Under.

A Chinese Mrs. Caudle is inconceivably, for she would promptly be returned to her father labeled "Too much bhooberry." Only by one means can the lady obtain any right whatever to use even the mild moral suasion wherewith the tactful western wife is wont to turn events to her liking. If as a bride the Chinese woman succeeded in sitting on any corner of her husband's clothes at the moment when, halfway through the nuptial ceremony, they first seat themselves side by side she is understood to occupy the position of mistress in her own house. Even then it generally stops at understanding.—From "Things Seen In China," by J. R. Chitty.

One Way.

Tramp—Ah, mum, I've charged many a battery in my day. Woman—Where and when? Tramp—Oh, when I worked in the battery department of an electric automobile concern.—New York Globe.

Marine Insurance.

Marine insurance was practiced in Rome 45 B. C. It was very general in Europe before the discovery of America, and it is altogether probable that the ships of Columbus were insured for their full value.—Boston Globe.

As He Slumbered.

Willie—Paw, what is sheet music? Paw—Snoring, my son.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sleeping on the Ground.

To sleep on the ground in the ordinary way without the aid of a clever South African trick which the English learned from the Zulus is so painful as to be almost impossible. Sleep, instead of resting, fatigues.

The Zulu trick is to dig a little hole to hold the hip bone. The soldier can then rest on back or side with equal comfort. He rises from his slumber on the hard ground as refreshed as if he had slept on a feather bed.—Chicago Herald.

His Mean Comment.

Wife (reading)—Here's the advertisement of a matrimonial agency offering to supply any man with a wife for a dollar. Husband—Oh, of course! It costs less to get into trouble than it does to get out again.

Pelican and Flamingo.

The hook of the pelican's bill is red, and undoubtedly the fable that the pelican feeds its young with blood from its own breast originated in the bird's habit of pressing the bill on the breast in order to more easily empty the pouch, when the red tip might be mistaken for blood. Another explanation is that the pelican became confused with the flamingo, which discharges into the mouth of its young a secretion which in color resembles blood.

Skeptical.

Minister (calling on inmate of prison)—Remember, Mr. Kenney, that stone walls do not a prison make nor iron bars a cage. Kenney—Well, they've got me hypnotized, then; that's all.—Dallas News.

Diaries For 1915

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\$25.00 Suits and Overcoats now \$19.50	\$18.00 and 20.00 Suits and Overcoats now \$14.50
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\$6.00 values now	\$4.75
5.00 values now	3.85
4.00 and 4.50 values now	\$3.45

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\$9.00 and 10.00 values now	\$7.50
7.50 values now	5.75
6.00 values now	4.50

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Palmer, Mass.

Thorndike Three Rivers Bondsville

Many items of interest from
these busy villages.

THORNDIKE.

Have Been Married 50 Years.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. W. Clark celebrated their 50th marriage anniversary on Saturday at their home on Commercial street. The affair was a quiet one, only members of the family being present, including Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Clark and daughter of Newton, Mr. and Mrs. Granger F. Clark of Toronto, Can., and Miss Geneva Clark, at home. Mr. and Mrs. Clark were the recipients of a diamond ring from their children. Friends called during the day to offer the couple their congratulations.

The annual business meeting of the Congregational church will be held this evening.

The heavy rains of the last few days has greatly aided the water supply of this village.

Rev. J. E. Enman and Rev. T. C. Martin of Bondsville, exchanged last Sunday evening.

Master William St. George is passing a vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph St. George in Warren.

J. J. Kelley and wife and William Holden and wife attended the Knights of Columbus ball at the Auditorium in Springfield last evening.

At a joint meeting of the board of aldermen and the school board, Dennis F. Lynch, a former resident, was chosen a member of the school board at Holyoke on Tuesday evening.

An interesting pool contest was played Friday evening between two local teams at Gebo's pool room in Exchange Building, and was won by the Temperance team with some points to spare.

Next Sunday morning Rev. J. E. Enman will take for his subject "Samuel, the Prophet: an interpretation of His Influence on God's people," and in the evening, "A new Awakening."

Sunday school meets at noon. The basketball game Saturday at Union Hall between the home team and the Monsons called out a large crowd. The game was exciting throughout and was won by the Thorndikes, 23 to 19. The Palmer high school team will play the Ludlows here to-morrow night.

Timothy Sullivan of M. Sullivan & Sons, bakers, is to build a concrete, fire-proof garage on the vacant lot near the Wariner house on North Main street, Palmer, and will go into the business as soon as the building is completed. The building lot which Mr. Sullivan bought of Greenfield parties is 150 by 150 feet; the garage will be 60 by 40 feet.

George McKenzie of Ware, a Thorndike young man employed as boss dyer in the Otis Company's mills, was united in marriage on Saturday evening to Miss Victoria Witkos. The marriage was performed by Rev. Arthur Chase at the home of Herbert Robinson, brother-in-law of Mr. McKenzie, who resides on Park street in Ware. Miss Stephanie Witkos, a sister of the bride, was bridesmaid, and Herbert Robinson was best man.

James M. Sullivan, a former Thorndike boy, now Minister of the United States to Dominican Republic, is very much in the limelight at the present time. His many Thorndike friends are closely following the investigation which began at New York on Tuesday before Senator-elect James D. Phelan into allegations made against Minister Sullivan by Walter W. Vick, former receiver-general of Dominican customs.

Mrs. Elio Dino, 64, died at her home at Four Corners Saturday morning. The deceased was a long-time resident of the town and was, before going to Four Corners, a resident of Thorndike for years. She was the daughter of Cyril Roberts. She is survived by a husband, three sons and a daughter, besides a brother. The funeral was Monday morning from St. Anne's church, where a mass of requiem was celebrated by the pastor, Rev. Fr. Geoffrey; burial was in St. Anne's cemetery.

The many friends of Henry A. Hill in this place are pleased to learn of his advancement, he having recently been appointed agent of the Hamilton Woolen Co. at Globe Village, Southbridge. The company operates several large mills in that town. Henry A. Hill succeeds his father, C. W. Hill, who has resigned after 46 years of service. The newly-appointed agent has been employed as assistant to his father for several years, and is fully versed in the work. Mr. Hill's wife is a former Thorndike girl and is well and favorably known to Palmer people, where she has appeared on various occasions as Mrs. Ada Murdock Hill, an elocutionist and reader, the daughter of Mrs. Ora Murdock, a former resident.

BONDSVILLE.

Small Child Badly Burned.

There was a largely attended Polish wedding Wednesday morning, when the oldest daughter of Mrs. John Lobak of South Belchertown was married

to a Polish baker of this place by Rev. Fr. Kulpa. The usual festivities following the ceremony took place at the bride's home. Among others present was Mrs. Lawrence Bigda, who had left her two small children playing at home. The children got to playing around the fire and in some unknown manner the clothing of the youngest child became ignited. When help arrived, attracted by their cries, the little child, just able to walk, was horribly burned about the body. Dr. W. B. Twing Smith was called, but it is not expected that the child can live. The mother, on arriving home was prostrated, and she also needed medical care.

Campfire Girls' Party.

Monday evening the Heweha Campfire Girls of Palmer held their monthly "hike" in this village. Each young lady had invited a young gentleman and the merry party assembled about 7.30 at the home of Miss Marion Albro. The company decided to spend some time skating and accordingly went to Lily Pond, where they skated until 9 o'clock. On their return to the Albro home an oyster supper was greatly enjoyed by a party of 25. Mrs. F. E. Albro, the mother of the hostess, was assisted in serving by Misses Abbie Pember and Gladys Morse. After the supper music and a general good time was enjoyed. Those attending with their guardian, Miss Alice E. Wyman, were: Misses Lydia Trumble, Luella Thayer, Grace Ross, Marion Albro, Phyllis Greene, Vertene Marsan, Merle Harris, Ellen Sayles, Dorothy Buck, Mollie Barton, and Irene Marsan, Messrs. Edwin Swann, J. Lawrence Martin, Harold Jameson, Edwin Keefe Roger Holden, Wesley Magee, James O'Dell, Raymond Holden, Ralph Sizer and Harold Albro.

Electric Car Travel Inconvenienced.

The rain last Wednesday night and early Thursday morning hindered the running of electric cars for quite a time. At the place where the new Hampden railroad crosses the electric tracks, the mud was said to be two feet deep on the rails, the rain having washed the dirt down from the embankment. The first car coming to the end of the Bondsville line got through about 9.30 in the morning. Even then the passengers were obliged to transfer to another car at the railroad for several cars, owing to the water flooding the tracks after the mud had been removed.

Mrs. Thomas Allen of Belchertown was a guest Monday of Mrs. William Morse.

Mrs. J. B. Higgins of Chicopee was a guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morse.

Miss Mattie Collis of Monson was a guest Thursday of her brother, Charles H. Collis.

Fred Pratt, employed by T. D. Potter & Co., is visiting relatives in Nashua, N. H.

Sunday evening Rev. T. C. Martin exchanged pulpits with Rev. J. E. Enman of Thorndike.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker of Springfield spent Sunday with her brother, Harry Randall.

Miss Lena Buffington of Palmer was a guest Tuesday of her sister, Mrs. Chester W. Canterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Clark of Brooklyn, N. Y., visited last Thursday with Miss Marion L. Albro.

The board of registrars will be at the Boston Duck Co's. hall next Monday evening from 6.45 to 7.45, for the purpose of registering voters.

Miss Fannie Butterfield of the House of Providence Hospital, Holyoke, was a guest Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Callahan.

Mrs. Clinton Carey returned last Thursday to her home in Lowell after visiting her father, E. G. Childs.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker, son and daughter, were guests Tuesday of his aunt in Newton Upper Falls.

Mrs. Leo Charron and daughter Blanche spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Alfred Pigeon, in Ware.

The Sunday school board meeting, which was to have been held this week, has been postponed until next Thursday evening, with Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.

William Butterfield Sr. has severed his connection with the Boston Duck Co. where he has been employed for several years, and went last week to make his home with his daughter, Mrs. Walter Doster in Baltimore, Md.

The Ladies' Aid Society will serve an oyster supper this evening at 6.30 o'clock in the M. E. church vestry. The price of the supper will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children under 10 years of age.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. William Taylor. These ladies will serve: Mrs. Adelaide Marsan, Mrs. Thomas Martin, Mrs. William Morse, Mrs. Anna Parent, Mrs. Charles Sharratt.

Mr. and Mrs. William Whittaker of Chicopee have been recent guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bolter. Their friends in this village

will be sorry to hear that they buried their two-months-old baby last Saturday.

The Hillside A. C. of this village went to Belchertown Saturday night to play basketball. They came home with the small end of the score, 35 to 25. There was some rough playing, especially on Belchertown's side.

Lineup:
Bel. Independents.
White, 11
Shaw, 11
Gage, 5
Hawwood, 1 b
Score, Independents 35, Bondsville 25;
baskets from floor, Hawwood 7, Gage 3, Shaw 4, White 2, H. Albro 2, W. Albro 8, Bannister 4, Martin; baskets on free tries, Hawwood 2, Shaw, Bannister, W. Albro, Referee Shaw; timer, Flaherty. Time 20 minute halves.

An Epworth League business meeting and social was held in the M. E. church vestry Friday evening. Among other things it was planned to "Take the temperature of the League" on January 17. Each Leaguer secures a certain number of points for attending Sunday morning service, attending Sunday school, attending Epworth League, attending Sunday evening service, taking original part in the League other than singing, bringing prospective members to the League, getting a new member, and for getting a subscriber to the Epworth Herald. The points of all the members will be

added together, and it is hoped to bring the thermometer up to the boiling point.

THREE RIVERS.

Mrs. H. C. Parkhurst was the recent guest of her parents in South Willington, Ct.

Miss Mary Smith of Springfield, formerly of this village, was in town Sunday.

Joseph Fournier of Rumford Falls, Me., formerly of this place, is visiting friends here.

Thomas Ritchie of Springfield street was the week-end guest of relatives in Gilbertville.

Francis J. Foley of Terra Haute, Ind., was the guest Saturday of relatives in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. George Birse of Springfield street entertained a number of out-of-town friends Sunday.

Miss Katherine Denlinger of Palmer was the Sunday guest of the Misses Twiss of Springfield street.

Henry Winn, who has been serving in the Seventh Infantry, U. S. A., is the guest of relatives in this village.

Daniel Horgan has returned to his studies at Holy Cross College, Worcester, after a vacation of several weeks.

Mrs. James Eaton will leave the last of the week for California, where she

will remain. It is expected that her brother, Harry Birse, will accompany her.

Mr. and Mrs. John Birse have moved from School street to the Howard block on Front street.

Elton Trickett has returned to his work in Lancaster, Pa., after a two-weeks' visit with his father on Front street.

The Three Rivers basketball team played Ware in Cerele Canadian Hall last evening with a good attendance. Several of the high school pupils attended the Palmer-Wesleyan game in Wilbraham last Friday.

The program at the Idle Hour for this week will be: Thursday evening, the serial "Trey of Hearts" in two parts and three reels of mixed comedy and tragedy; Saturday evening, the "Million Dollar Mystery" in two parts, the "Mutual Girl" and the usual three mixed reels.

The "Old Dairy Homestead" will be presented in Cerele Canadian Hall next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings for the benefit of the French society. There is local talent in the cast, so it ought to prove interesting. It promises to be very lively and amusing. Tickets are on sale by members of the society.

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Mahogany,	20.00	15.25
Golden Oak,	16.00	12.75
Golden Oak,	15.00	11.75
Golden Oak,	12.00	9.50
Golden Oak,	10.00	7.75
Golden Oak,	8.50	6.90

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20.00	15.00
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Monson News.

Congregational Church Meeting.

Roll Call Response Large. Pleasing Reports. Officers Elected.

The annual supper, roll call and business meeting of the members of the Congregational church was held in the church parlors last Thursday evening with a good attendance.

There were 270 responses in person or by letter to the calling of the roll, which contains 375 names. A gain of 10 in membership was shown by the clerk's report; twenty-five united with the church in 1914 and nine were lost by death or transfer. The reports of the various officers showed each branch of the church organization to be in a prosperous, growing condition. Especially pleasing was the financial statement. The church contributed \$2208.86 to various charities during the past year.

Officers for 1915 were elected as follows: Deacon for 6 years, Dr. E. W. Capen; clerk, Robert S. Fay; treasurer, A. H. Bennett; auditor, P. W. Soule; church committee, the pastor, deacon, clerk, treasurer and superintendent of the Sunday school members ex-officio, also Mrs. R. P. Cushman, Mrs. L. C. Flynt, Miss E. R. Holmes, Miss Hattie Cushman; visiting committee, Miss Hattie F. Cushman, Mrs. L. C. Flynt, Mrs. A. M. Beebe, Mrs. C. W. Jackson, Mrs. R. D. Tucker, Mrs. C. P. Hibbard, Mrs. F. S. Chapman; superintendent of Sunday school, Harry E. Kendall; assistant, Thomas Johnson; superintendent of Primary department, Mrs. R. C. Cushman; superintendent of Home department, Miss Emma Carpenter.

Death of Daniel P. Looney.

Daniel P. Looney, 71, died at his home on Thompson street last Thursday afternoon after a long illness with heart trouble. Mr. Looney was born in County Kerry, Ireland, but came to this country 52 years ago. He had been a resident of Monson for 34 years, having worked at the W. N. Flynt Granite Company's quarry most of that time, or in other places in the employ of that concern. October 25, 1880, he married Ellen Tooney of Ware. He leaves, besides a widow, five daughters and two sons: Mrs. Jessie M. Rogers, Mrs. John J. Pendergast, Kathryn and Elsie Looney, Thomas and Daniel Looney, all of Monson, and Mrs. D. F. Shea of Bondsville; two brothers residing in Lawrence and a sister in Lowell also survive him. The funeral was held at the home Saturday morning, followed by high requiem mass at St. Patrick's church; burial was in the Pearl street cemetery.

The Firemen's Ball.

The 27th annual concert and ball of the Monson fire department was held in Memorial Hall last Friday evening and was fairly well attended. The concert opened at 8 o'clock and was much enjoyed by the large number of onlookers in the gallery. Dancing began at 9 o'clock with Chief A. B. Norcross as floor director, assisted by D. J. Meaney. The committee of arrangements were: F. R. Sutcliffe, D. J. Meaney, S. C. Stewart, W. T. Lewis, W. J. McDonald, M. F. Crowley. Special cars carried visitors to Palmer and the villages after the dance.

Mrs. John Dower is seriously ill at her home on High street.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold a whist party and social next Tuesday evening.

Henry Davis, who has been ill for the past week, has been taken to the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer for treatment.

C. O. Bailey, secretary to State Forester Kane, spoke before the Men's Club of the Congregational church Monday evening, giving an illustrated talk on Forestry. The Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society were guests of the Men's Club at this meeting.

A large limb from one of the "Cotton Ball" trees at the corner of Main and Washington streets was blown off Tuesday night and considerable damage was done to different kinds of wires. Repairs were made early Wednesday morning. These old lines are in sad need of severe pruning, or removal altogether.

W. C. S. Russell of the Springfield high school will give an illustrated lecture on Iceland before the Social and Literary club at the Universalist church this evening. Mr. Russell has spent several years in Iceland and is intimately acquainted with the strange Northern island.

Saturday of this week is the last opportunity for the filing of names of candidates for town office to be placed on the Republican caucus ballot. Petitions for Robert K. Squier for water commissioner and Frelon Q. Ball for town clerk were circulated the latter part of last week. Papers were circulated yesterday for Carlos M. Gage for town clerk. The entry of Mr. Gage at this time came as a surprise, as it was understood a week ago that he would not be a candidate. He has held the office before and is well qualified for the work.

Pupils Perfect in Attendance.

An unusual number of school children have a record of perfect attendance from September until Christmas. The list is:

Charles Keep	Mary Crowley
Franklin Smith	Mildred Hughes
Annie Foley	Mary Wheeler
Mabelle Flynt	Louise Wright
Arthur Aldrich	Lydia Cheries
Frances Dalton	Eva Lewis
Robert Greene	Mary Makepeace
Ella Chaluc	Myrtis Parker
Edith Noyes	Ethel Purcell
Alice Rouvellat	Marion Sutcliffe
Helen Greene	Harry Thorin
Lucy Corish	Charles Chaples
Hazel Turschman	Victor Barbone
Eva Tonon	James Meurrisse
Robert Moriarty	William Meurrisse
Ralph Holdridge	Sarah Van Wagner
James Herlihy	George Herlihy
John McCouchie	Maynard Powers
W. Lloyd Moulton	Thelma Bugbee
Justin Rouvellat	Kenneth Bacon
Rose Cheries	Elden Linton
Mary Moriarty	Arlon Day
Margaret Bryant	Orman W. Stone
Fred G. Alley	Edward White
Florence Alley	Christine Nieske
Bertha Chisholm	George Nieske
Orson Ingraham	Doris Hodge
Axel Swanstrom	Barbara Patricks
Kathleen Hughes	Dina Tonan
Madalin Comee	Frederick Powers
	Albria Canor

Of the total, 27 are boys, showing that the girls take a little more pride on the average about being prompt and always present. The percentage of pupils in the out districts is large, showing that distances do not handicap the faithful.

Dennis Purell has been taken to the Hampden Hospital in Springfield for treatment.

Mrs. Charles Morris fell on the ice near the home of her sister, Mrs. George Morris on Pearl street, Sunday evening and fractured her right leg below the knee. She was taken to Springfield, where the fracture was reduced.

George Pero was taken to Springfield Monday for an operation for appendicitis.

D. W. Ellis, who has had a severe attack of the grip, is improving.

A shipment of 17 carloads of raw wool, aggregating 300,000 pounds, has been received recently by the Ellis mills for immediate manufacture. The wool came direct from Texas.

There will be a social in the parlors of the Congregational church next Tuesday evening. Supper will be served at 6.30 under the direction of Mrs. Rufus Cushman, Mrs. Thomas Johnson, Mrs. Frank Brown and Mrs. O. P. Holdridge.

Robert G. Shumway has purchased of T. L. Cushman the Harry Howe house on Washington street, and is tearing down the same. Mr. Cushman will use the land on which the house stood in connection with the passage from Cushman Field to the Academy.

There will be a lecture next Wednesday afternoon in the Bungalow at 3 o'clock, under the auspices of the Dorcas society. The lecturer will be Mrs. Annie Russell Marble of Worcester, who will take for her subject, "Robert Louis Stevenson." Admission will be 25 cents.

A concert overture written by Miss Lucy B. Woodward as her thesis when she attained the degree of Bachelor of Music at Yale University, was played at the Parsons theatre in Hartford this afternoon and evening by the Hartford Philharmonic orchestra, Robert H. Prutting conductor. The overture was first rendered by the New Haven Symphony in 1913.

George L. Keeney has entered the political game, seeking the Republican nomination for selectman. Mr. Keeney has had no experience in office and has been one of the most ardent Progressives until recently, when he returned to the Republican fold. His Bull Moose activity will undoubtedly cut down the number of votes he will get at the primaries.

Peach growers and all others interested will have an opportunity to hear Lee Rice of Wilbraham speak on "Peach Growing," and Messrs. Grant and Jenks of the Hampden County Improvement League tell of "Fertilizers and Spraying" at the Green street schoolhouse next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock. The meeting should prove interesting and helpful to all Monson fruit growers.

Carpenter Brothers' milk cart had a wild and wasteful trip Wednesday morning. The horse was frightened by a passing automobile on Green street, ran up Green and down "Dye House Hill," at the foot of which two stone hitching posts were leveled and milk was mixed with snow and ice in all directions. The cart, though badly broken, did not overturn when the posts were struck, but was dragged rapidly by the frightened horse up Main street to the Catholic church steps where Ernest Carpenter, who had cut across from Green street, stopped his own runaway.

WARREN.

Farmers' Exchange Formed.

A Farmers' Exchange with a capital stock of \$5000 was duly organized and the incorporation papers signed at a meeting of Warren farmers in Brigham Hall Monday afternoon. It is the intention of the farmers to co-operate with similar organizations throughout the state, and much interest is manifested. The following officers were chosen: President, Herbert N. Shepard; vice president, Albert B. Patrick; clerk, Edward D.



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The parish auxiliary of the Congregational church met Monday afternoon and these officers were chosen for the coming year: President, Mrs. William L. Curtis; vice presidents, Mrs. Warren D. Hosley, Mrs. Ralph B. Patrick; secretary, Mrs. D. L. K. Hathaway; treasurer, Mrs. Arthur S. Tucker.

The following officers have been elected in the Universalist church for 1915: Clerk, J. Edward Lombard; treasurer, Daniel G. Hitchcock; committee, Charles W. Ball, Mrs. Fannie A. Ellis and Daniel G. Hitchcock. The estate of Harlan P. Bliss recently left the society \$500, and the church is now out of debt.

At the annual meeting of the Warren Thief Detecting Society it was voted to have the annual banquet, and the matter was left in the hands of a committee composed of George T. Tarbell, Joseph G. Hastings and Carl M. Blair. Officers of the society for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, Walter B. Hall; secretary, Joseph G. Hastings; treasurer, Charles B. Blair; directors, Marcus Burroughs, Edward Fairbanks, George E. Tarbell, Isaac E. Moore, Fred W. Kimball, H. N. Shepard and Charles D. Perkins; pursuing committee, L. L. Burroughs, W. A. Jenks; H. E. Shumway, Charles E. Comins, John M. Drake, Herbert P. Johnson, J. W. Maxim, John W. Keith, William L. Curtis and Walter A. Putnam.

Forest Chapter, O. E. S., held its regular meeting last Friday evening and the following officers were installed: Worthy matron, Mrs. Delina M. Gardiner; worthy patron, Charles T. Gardiner; associate matron, Mrs. Flora P. Patrick; secretary, Mrs. Kate M. Clark; treasurer, Mrs. Nellie F. Adams; conductress, Miss Esther L. Gage; associate conductress, Miss Ruth E. Rice; chaplain, Mrs. Sarah J. Tucker; marshal, Mrs. Florence F. Houghton; organist, Mrs. Rose G. Trail; Adah, Miss Ada L. Wetherbee; Ruth, Miss Julia L. Patrick; Esther, Miss L. Alice Hoe; Martha, Mrs. Mattie V. Nichols; Electa, Mrs. Elnora Huyck; warder, Mrs. Abbie F. Maxim; sentinel, William E. Nichols. Past Grand Matron Mrs. Iva E. Brown was the installing officer, and was assisted by Mrs. Edith R. Avery as acting grand conductress. Supper was served to the members and guests previous to the meeting.

The 31st of October, 1793

By F. A. MITCHEL

In the autumn of 1893 Charles Goodwin, an American bachelor who had been spending an evening at a students' ball in the Latin quarter of Paris, on his way to his hotel in the Rue Rivoli crossed the bridge leading into the Place de la Concorde. Just as he reached the fountain midway between the two obelisks a clock in deep tone struck the hour of 1.

Something like a shudder came over the young man. Perhaps it was the loneliness, for the Place was deserted—that is, at the moment, since this central location can never be said to be deserted for any length of time even in the small hours of morning. Perhaps it was the contrast between his surroundings and the gay scenes he had just left, a contrast heightened by his knowledge of the history of the location where stood the fountain he was passing. He stopped and mused.

During the reign of terror where the fountain is now stood the guillotine. Every day a succession of carts brought victims to this Moloch of the revolution. At first the nobility of France were in process of removal; then when factions became jealous of each other the party in power removed those who were its rivals. For awhile Robespierre was virtual dictator and decided who should be executed. The leaders of the Conservatives, the Girondists, he sent after those of royal and noble blood. Then a new faction gained the supreme power and sent Robespierre after the Girondists.

While Goodwin mused there was no sound but a distant cab rattling over the stones or a shout of laughter from a cafe on the Champs Elysees. And even then came at intervals the thought that he was alone. But suddenly he caught sight through the spray of the fountain of a woman's figure on the other side of the basin. Impelled by curiosity he moved around to where she stood. What was his astonishment to see one whose features indicated that she was a lady. Her dress also bespoke her rank. The costume was in the directoire style which was in vogue some time ago. She was very pale.

It has never been permitted to Parisian ladies to be on the street alone even at midday. As for a lady being out unattended at 1 o'clock in the morning, such a thing was unthinkable, and yet the American was positive that the person he saw on the other side of the fountain was a lady. Her features were French. As to her costume, though it was in a style in vogue a hundred years before—a style that had been revived—the collar and cap were those worn at the close of the eighteenth century.

"Madame," exclaimed Goodwin, "surely you have been, through some error on the part of your escort or your coachman, caught out alone. Will you permit me to call a carriage?" "What day is this?" asked the lady. "Day of the week or the month?" "The month."

"This is the 31st of October." "Do you hear them singing?" "Surely this woman had lost her reason and, having eluded her keeper, had wandered forth in the night. Goodwin was at a loss to know what to do—whether to call the police or a cab.

"There are only three voices now," continued the woman. "Mine was one of the first to be stifled." "Won't you take my arm, madame?" said Goodwin, extending it. "The night is chill, and you do not seem to be sufficiently clad."

"Now there are two," was the only reply. "I beg of you come with me—for a little way—to the Rue Rivoli. We will find a cab there."

"Now there is one." Goodwin was badly upset. Alone in Paris with a crazy woman between 1 and 2 in the morning, he would have left her, but this would be desertion. He could not bring himself to do it. Fortunately a cab came across the bridge. When it arrived opposite the fountain he ran out to call the driver. As he started the lady he was leaving said:

"Now, there is none." The cabman stopped, and his cab was empty. Goodwin returned for the lady.

She was gone. All in a shiver, Goodwin got into the cab and was driven to his hotel. The next afternoon he walked out through the Place de la Concorde. The day was bright and the space was filled with carriages and pedestrians. He stood by the fountain on the exact spot where he had stood the night before. Had he been dreaming?

Three years later he was reading a history of the Girondists. The last pages of the book gave an account of how they died on the guillotine singing the "Marseillaise," the volume of sound growing less till the last one sang alone. That single voice stifled, all had perished. Turning to the date of this one of the most dramatic scenes of history, Goodwin noticed that it occurred on the 31st of October, 1793.

Up to the time of reading this account Goodwin had frequently spoken to his friends of his adventure that night in the Place de la Concorde, which a century before had been called the Place de la Revolution. After having informed himself of the fate of the Girondists he never again mentioned it. His friends noticed, too, that he was changed.

Nebraska solons have passed the Sunday optional baseball bill.

WILBRAHAM.

Several washouts were caused in town by the heavy rain of last week. The manholes in the underpass of the Boston and Albany railroad near Ludlow were clogged and it was necessary to use a boat to convey people from one side to the other, the water in the roadway being from two to three feet in depth. The springs do not seem to be greatly affected however, and many still have to draw water from brooks to supply their needs.

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65.00 " " " " " " " "	47.50
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Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by Minnie C. Hewell of Spencer, in the County of Worcester, and said Commonwealth, to register and confirm her title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in said Palmer, bounded and described as follows:—Beginning at an iron pipe in the southeasterly side of said street in the Depot Village of said Palmer and at the northwesterly corner of land of John J. M. Thompson and Marcella A. Flynn, thence S. 45 degrees 50 minutes E. one hundred forty-four and 5/10 (144.5) feet along said last named land to an iron pipe in line of land of John J. Daley, thence S. 44 degrees 11 minutes W. one hundred forty-eight and 7/10 (148.7) feet along land of said Daley, Jennie C. Taylor and Marcella A. Flynn, thence S. 45 degrees 50 minutes E. one hundred forty-four and 5/10 (144.5) feet along said last named land to an iron pipe in the southeasterly side of said Knox street, thence along said Knox street N. 44 degrees 51 minutes E. one hundred forty-nine and 5/10 (149.5) feet to the place of beginning.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court, to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Your appearance and answer, as provided in Section 33 of Chapter 128 of the Revised Laws, may be filed with James R. Wells, Assistant Recorder of said Court, at the Registry of Deeds at Springfield in said County of Hampden, with whom a copy of the plan filed with said petition is deposited.

Witness Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-third day of December, in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Attest with Seal of said Court.
[Seal]
CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

THREE RIVERS.

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Nathan Cramer spent the week-end with his family in Worcester. David Searle of Maple street spent Sunday without town friends.

Raymond Richardson of Springfield was the Sunday guest of Peter Manzer at the Riverside.

A. Paquette of Gardner is spending several days at the home of his parents on Pleasant street.

Miss Nellie Conroy of Springfield was the week-end guest of her parents on the Belchertown road.

Misses Rachel A. Shaw and Bertha Pulsifer were week-end guests of Mrs. H. A. Shaw of Main street.

Miss Mary Calvert has resigned her position as cook at the Wenimisser, and is succeeded by Mrs. Malloy.

Mrs. Charles Tannebrink of Springfield street entertained Mrs. Rein of West Warren the last of the week.

Mrs. Napoleon Ouimette is entertaining her sister, Miss Landry of Providence, R. I., at her home on Main street.

Robert L. Geer of Maple street left the last of the week for Palm Beach, Fla., where he will remain during the summer months.

Miss Alice Turkington returned to Smith College the last of the week after spending two weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turkington of Anderson avenue.

The Three Rivers F. A. A. defeated the Monson Athletics last week in Cercle Canadian Hall by the score 32 to 19. A good attendance of town's people helped to increase the interest and zeal of the home team.

The skaters of the village anticipated a week of good skating. Saturday and Monday a large number were to be seen on the ice; and even Sunday many young men and women enjoyed the good skating and pleasant weather.

A wrestling match will be held Monday evening between Young Roller and the Flying Dutchman in Cercle Canadian Hall. Admission will be 50 cents and ladies will be admitted. This is the first match of the kind ever held here. A good preliminary contest is promised.

Supt. C. H. Hobson visited the schools here last week, accompanied by Harry Houston, supervisor of penmanship in the New Haven schools. Mr. Houston witnessed lessons in several of the rooms and gave many helpful suggestions for the teaching of penmanship. After school he spoke to the teachers in a body at the high school on the same line of instruction.

A Pretty Experiment.
How quickly the body eliminates waste matter may be seen by the following simple and pretty experiment:

Eat a tablet of lithium citrate. Then take a clean platinum wire, hold it in a colorless flame of a Bunsen burner and note that it gives no coloration to the flame. Now cool the wire and pass it along the skin of the forehead, or after rinsing the hand in distilled water draw the wire across the palm and again hold it to the colorless Bunsen flame. Note the beautiful yellow color, due to the presence of the sodium. Next take blue glass and observe the yellow flame through this. The cobalt glass absorbs the yellow sodium rays, and the lilac flame of potassium now shows. About a half hour after taking the lithium tablet make the same test as above with a clean platinum wire. The vivid red flame of lithium is now obtained. In one short half hour the lithium entering at the mouth has been absorbed into the blood and carried to all parts of the body and is being excreted through the skin.—New York World.

Bell Tent.
The interior of a bell tent is full of surprises for the new hand. He begins by expecting it to be the airiest of lodgings; it is really the stuffiest. Unless the flaps at the entrance are left open or the apron around the foot lifted it soon becomes insufferable if there are many men sleeping in it, and it is possible to sleep ten or a dozen men or more in a bell tent, with feet to the pole, of course, and heads to the canvas. Another surprise is that there is nowhere to hang anything up. It is contrary to regulations to drive nails into the tent pole. The official way is a ring with hooks on it to be clamped around the pole, but old campaigners say that the supply of these is never anything like equal to the number of tents and that only the lucky ones get them. With all this a bell tent is the cheapest and most comfortable of temporary homes for a party of three or four once they get used to its little ways and cease to mislay things in its featureless circularity.—Liverpool Mercury.

His Last Look.
A church in the north of Scotland requiring a pastor had a beadle who took an active interest in all that concerned the church. One of the candidates after the last service for the day was over stepped into the vestry to put off his gown. He thought he would have a look at the church and, meeting the worthy beadle putting things to rights, said:
"I was just taking a look at the church."

His Last Look.
"Aye, tak' a guld look at it," said the beadle, "for it's no likely ye'll ever see it again."—Dundee Advertiser.

Immunity of Children.
Professor Armbruster asserts that the reason very young children are relatively immune to infectious diseases is that their hearts beat so much more rapidly than those of older persons that the blood flows swiftly through the arteries, and this swiftness of flow makes it difficult for micro-organisms to gain a foothold in the blood stream.—New York World.

Perhaps He Would.
I led my class in Greek three successive years.
"That's fine. But wouldn't you much rather have carried the ball sixty-five yards for a touchdown just once?"—Exchange.

A Stagecoach Wedding

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

I was standing in a room crowded with men and women in evening dress when I heard a cheery feminine voice near me exclaim:

"Why, Tom!"
"What luck!" responded a young man, with blond hair, parted in the middle, and his chin held up by a very high collar.

"I don't know a person here," said the girl, who had spoken first.

"Nor I. I would rather have met you than own a gold mine."

"Isn't it nice to meet some one you don't expect, but whom you wish to meet?"

Happy smiles illuminated the faces of these two youngsters, whom I made me happy to look at. Indeed, there was one especial reason for my enjoyment of this pleasant surprise, for it reminded me of one that had occurred in my own family years before.

In the sixties—I refer to the last century—my father, then a young man, went out to Denver to grow up with a new town. Albert Reeder had gone there a few years before with his family for the purpose of building a stamp mill on Clear creek, up in the mountains, and had become interested in the extraction of gold from ore. My father, who was as poor as a church mouse, found work in the service of Mr. Reeder and was sent up to one of his stamp mills, where he soon became superintendent.

Mr. Reeder thought my father one of the brightest young men in the world and was ready to do anything for him till he discovered that his employee had a love affair with his daughter, Agnes. Then he suddenly turned against him. The trouble was that Reeder had a prospect of soon becoming very rich and had begun to cherish expectations of Agnes marrying either a duke or a prince or something of that order.

The young couple were in a peck of trouble in consequence of the old man's refusal to consent to their union. Of course the matter rested with Agnes. My father couldn't do anything without her concurrence, and she was indisposed to break with her father. But her father must have been uncertain of her, for he ordered her to get ready to go back east to stay awhile with an aunt. Agnes seemed disposed to yield to his commands. She wrote my father that he might come down from the mill and say goodbye to her. He did so and there was a very affecting scene between the lovers.

Inasmuch as Agnes was making her preparations to go east and it was supposed that she was bidding her lover a last farewell, no opposition was made to the two youngsters seeing as much of each other as they liked. They spent a whole evening together, during which Agnes told my father that if she married him her father would disinherit her and that she would lose a very large fortune. Her mother was bitterly opposed to her marriage with my father, for it was she who was determined to exchange the wealth she would inherit for one of those rundown titled foreigners who are in the market for American heiresses.

My father was the more cast down because, while Agnes talked about her mother's wishes in this matter, he was not quite sure that Agnes herself was not inclined to the plan of marrying a title and was accustomed to do pretty much as she pleased.

However, there was nothing for my father to do but submit, and he said goodbye to Agnes lugubrously. One thing he knew—if she was disposed to obedience he could not move her, and if she was not disposed to obedience her parents could not hold her.

My father, notwithstanding his employer's opposition to his marriage, was continued in his position and the morning after his farewell left for the mill. He always rode on the outside of the coach and climbed on top, where he resigned himself to brooding over the severest blow one can receive, whether young or old—separation from a mate.

From Denver the road westward extends for fifteen miles to the base of the mountains, then rises abruptly. The morning was bright to every one on the coach except my father, and those inside seemed to be having a hilarious time. My father thought nothing of this, for stagecoach travelers always become acquainted, and he supposed they were enjoying each other's companionship.

They were approaching the base of the mountains when a voice from below called out that Jim Harkaway—that was my father—was wanted inside. Nothing was further from his inclination, and he refused to descend. But the request was repeated, and at last he climbed down and entered the coach. All looked at him expectantly, and one of the men said smilingly:

"Every one loves a lover. Cheer up, young man! If you must have a girl here's one for you."

He pointed to an old lady on the back seat. My father looked at her wonderingly, and suddenly she threw back a veil and exposed the smiling features of Agnes.

This meeting between my father and mother came back to me as I looked upon the young couple and saw their expression of pleased surprise. Only I fancy my father's was far more radiant.

There was a clergyman in the coach, and the wedding took place then and there.

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What "S O S" Means.

In talking with the wireless operator many ship passengers ask the meaning of the three letters used in the distress signal, "S O S." There seems to be a general opinion that the letters are the abbreviation of three separate words with a definite meaning. Persons of an imaginative trend will tell you that the letters stand for "Save our ship," "Send out succor," "Sink or swim" or some such meaning. The letters signify nothing but that a ship is in distress and in need of assistance. The call is used by all nations as a universal code, so that any wireless operator, regardless of the language he speaks, can immediately intercept the call of distress. Inasmuch as the call is in use by all countries, it can be seen that the signal can have no meaning in any language. The character of the code makes it a call that can be picked out easily from other signals, being composed of three dots, three dashes, three dots.—Ocean Wireless News.

The Way to Boston.

Earlier in the day he had been sixteen miles from Boston. He was now only eleven miles away. The condition of his pockets was such that there was no way for him to reach the city without further wear on his shoes. Several automobiles had rushed past him toward the city, but although he looked at them appealingly, the drivers had made no sign that they were willing to help the footsore pedestrian.

He grew a little bitter as he put one foot up and the other foot down on the dusty road. Finally he was hailed by the driver of a car that bore a Pennsylvania license number.

"Hey, there, do you know the way to Boston?"

"Yes, I do. Just follow me. I am going there."

The driver grinned. The tramp reached Boston in twenty minutes.—Youth's Companion.

Norway.

Norway has an area of 124,525 square miles, but of this 73,752 square miles are barren mountains. 26,317 are forest, 4,789 are lakes 4,632 are bogs and 1,947 are snow and ice. Grain fields, cultivated meadows and natural meadows only comprise 3,554 square miles and cultivated land, strictly speaking, only 1,074 square miles.

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Ate a Hearty Dinner, Then Died With Acute Indigestion

According to Dr. J. O. Limerell, of New York, an eminent authority and writer on several branches of medicine and surgery, the percentage of deaths in this country from acute indigestion has shown a startling gain in the past five years.

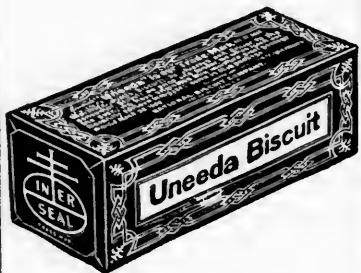
In an interview, he recently made the statement that acute indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble, was carrying off more prominent men than any other one disease. It was only recently that a well-known man sat down to a hearty dinner and had scarcely finished when he threw up his hands and fell back, dead. No one should flirt with disaster when he knows he is taking chances on nearly everything he eats, because it is so easy to be on the safe side. GASTROIDS is a wonderful new preparation made by a famous New York physician and chemist for stomach troubles. It drives out the gases, sweetens the stomach, neutralizes the acids, prevents fermentation and assists the stomach to digest the food. You can eat anything, then chew up one of these magical little brown tablets and your body will derive the full benefit of your food, without any pain, nausea, or belching. No other digestive medicine ever prescribed acts as this does. Safeguard yourself now and eat anything. All druggists or from Curtis Chemical Company, 117 East 24th Street, New York City, for 10c, 25c or 50c. Don't forget, ask for GASTROIDS.

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WARE.

Oasis Rebekah lodge has chosen these officers to serve for the ensuing year: Noble grand, Nellie H. Lawson; vice grand, Eldora E. Johnson; recording secretary, Mabel Vaughn; financial secretary, Lina M. Collins; treasurer, Sarah Packard. Installation of officers will be the first Wednesday in February.

The officers of J. W. Lawton camp, Sons of Veterans, were installed last week by District Aide Albert A. Gove of Ludlow as follows: Commander, Wilson McEwen; S. V. C., Louis A. Whitney; J. V. C., Francis Beauchemin; T., William N. Newcomb; S., William W. Gibbs; camp council, H. E. Bates, E. E. Barbier and John H. Schoonmaker. After the installation exercises three candidates were initiated.

The second annual banquet of the firm and employees of C. Hitchcock & Co. was held at the Mansion House last Thursday night. Charles C. Hitchcock and F. M. Sibley of the firm were present, and Mr. Hitchcock welcomed the clerks and expressed his thanks for their co-operation during the past year. A banquet was served by Proprietor Joslin, and a program including piano solos, vocal solos and quartets was enjoyed.

A campfire meeting was held in Odd Fellows Hall Monday evening under the auspices of J. W. Lawton camp, Sons of Veterans, at which delegations were present from Barre, Enfield, Brookfield, Palmer and Monson. Addresses were given by Hubert M. Coney, commander of J. W. Lawton post 85, Rev. A. A. Bronsdon of Millers Falls camp and Frank J. Donahue, division commander of Massachusetts. Several vocal selections were given by the men's triple quartet, after which refreshments were served.

The financial report of the Eastern Hampshire district court as completed by Clerk J. G. Lincoln is as follows: From defendants for account of state, \$110; from defendants for account of county, \$27.50; from defendants for accounts of cities and towns, \$690.98; from defendants and county treasurer for witnesses, \$312.80; from depositors in lieu of surety and tender in civil cases, \$845; writs, \$2.10; entries, \$23; other fees, \$2; fees not payable to any public authority, \$36; total, \$2039.30. Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1914, \$252; total, \$2291.30. Expenditures: Paid state treasurer, \$110; county treasurer, \$52.50; city and town treasurers, \$709.80; city and town officers, \$7.40; witnesses, \$160.45; inquest fees, \$91.97; fees retained by court clerk, \$36; to de-

positors in lieu of surety, \$545; total, \$1752.82; balance on hand, \$538.48.

At the regular meeting of Star of Eden chapter, O. E. S., held in Masonic Hall Monday evening, District Deputy Matron Alice E. Wallace of Springfield, assisted by Irene S. Sanford of Westfield, installed the following officers: Worthy matron, Mrs. Emma B. Pearson; worthy patron, Guy A. Cummings; associate matron, Mrs. Clara Newcomb; conductress, Mrs. Laura T. Cummings; associate conductress, Mrs. Lucy B. Lincoln; secretary, Mrs. Grace A. Connor; treasurer, Miss Mabel Steele; chaplain, Mrs. Edith M. Studd; marshal, Mrs. Alice B. Smith; organist, Mrs. Etta M. Hoxie; Ada, Mrs. Eleanor Wilson; Ruth, Mrs. Beaula Hastings; Esther, Mrs. Helen G. Fisherick; Martha; Miss Annie B. Gould; Electa, Mrs. Fannie Ward; warder, Mrs. Lettie M. Fairbanks; sentinel, Leon Cummings. Mrs. Wallace and Mrs. Sanford were presented with souvenirs from the chapter in recognition of their services; Past Matron Mrs. Ballantyne and Past Patron James E. Allen were given tokens of esteem from the chapter for their willing helpfulness to the chapter since its organization; also the retiring worthy matron, Mrs. Schoonmaker, was presented with a bouquet of roses. Previous to the meeting supper was served to the members and visitors of the chapter.

WILBRAHAM.

The Democratic caucus was held in the town office at North Wilbraham Tuesday evening. The following nominations were made for town officers for the ensuing year: Clerk and treasurer, William H. McGuire; selectman for three years, Allyn M. Seaver; assessor for one year, Joseph H. Farr; assessor for three years, W. F. Morgan; school committee for three years, C. P. Bolles; constables, H. M. Green, A. F. Friend, Arthur Brodeur, F. D. Metcalf, F. A. Thayer; fence viewers, F. D. Denton, B. C. Green, John W. Powers, C. A. Darrah; tax collector, W. V. Baldwin; tree warden, H. M. Green; sanitary commissioner, H. I. Edson; library trustee for three years, F. A. Gurney; auditor, F. W. Warren; moderator, W. V. Baldwin.

Mrs. Amelia R. Allis, 82, died last Thursday afternoon from the effects of a paralytic shock sustained a week previous and from which she did not recover consciousness. Before her marriage Mrs. Allis was a teacher. The first few years of married life were spent in Wilbraham and after the death of her husband about six years ago Mrs. Allis had made her home here. She had considerable literary ability and one of her last works was a poem upon the historical Episcopal church of Wilbraham. Mrs. Allis is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Henry M. Paine of Southold, L. I., and Miss Fannie A. Allis of this town, and one son, William B. Allis of New York City. The funeral services were held in the home Friday evening and the body was taken to Hatfield for burial Saturday.

At the Republican caucus held in Grange Hall Monday evening W. A. Mowry was chosen chairman and L. G. Stacy secretary. Nominations for town officers for the ensuing year were made as follows: Town clerk and treasurer, William H. McGuire Jr.; selectman for three years, Ernest L. Thompson; assessor for one year, James H. Farr; assessor for three years, Charles W. Vinton; school committee for three years, Clarence P. Bolles; constables for one year, D. H. Eaton, A. F. Friend, Luther L. Farr, H. M. Green, A. Brodeur; fence viewers, F. D. Denton, B. B. Green, B. F. Greene, R. J. Pease; tree warden, H. I. Edson; tax collector, L. L. Stone; library trustee for three years, F. A. Gurley; auditor, L. W. Rice; cemetery commissioner for three years, H. I. Edson; moderator, C. E. Peck.

These officers were installed in the Grange at its regular meeting last week: Master, Lester L. Stone; overseer, O. L. Millard; lecturer, Mrs. O. L. Millard; steward, C. B. Hitchcock; chaplain, Rev. Howard Fildel Legg; assistant steward, W. A. Pease; treasurer, Mrs. C. E. Pease; secretary, Mrs. L. L. Stone; gate-keeper, A. H. Bosworth; Ceres, Mrs. W. J. Goodrich; Pomona, Mrs. F. W. Green; Flora, Mrs. C. B. Hitchcock; lady assistant steward, Mrs. G. R. Files; assistant lecturer, Mrs. E. C. Clark; chorister, Mrs. E. M. Crossett; librarian, Mrs. L. T. Bosworth; executive committee, F. A. Bodurtha. Worthy Master Stone appointed the following committees for the coming year: Floral, Mrs. C. B. Hitchcock, Mrs. F. A. Gurney and Mrs. C. E. Peck; entertainment, Mrs. F. C. Newton, Mrs. Crossett, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Bolles; relief, C. C. Beebe, F. E. Peck, Mrs. Butler, Rev. H. L. Legg, Mrs. Bosworth, Mrs. Eaton. The work was done by Past Master E. C. Powell, assisted by Mrs. Powell. F. A. Bodurtha, the retiring master, was presented with a past master's sash, Mr. Powell making the presentation.

WALES.

Emil Lehrer has closed his house and moved to Dayville, Ct. Walter Bourke of Palmer and Robert Arnold of Springfield spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Rourke. C. M. Gale of Boston was in town this week.

George A. Needham of Brooklyn is spending a few weeks at his summer home and enjoying the fishing through the ice on the lake.

The post office was entered again last Friday night. Entrance was gained by a door in the rear and the visitors helped themselves to shoes, bread and candy. The last break was in the early part of November. As usual, the visitors left no clue to their identity.

HAMPDEN.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Jones entertained their friends at a "500" party in their home last Thursday evening. Music and a social time was enjoyed after the game.

A supper and social was held in the Methodist church last evening by the Ladies' Aid Society. After the supper there was a musical and literary entertainment.

W. O. Parmenter of Springfield will install the officers of Hampden Grange to-morrow night and a banquet will follow the installation, in the vestry of the Congregational church.

The Republican town committee has organized with Charles I. Burleigh chairman, Clark Goodwill treasurer, and Harold W. Ryder secretary. The Democratic committee has organized with Matthias Casey as chairman, Cornelius J. Flynn treasurer, and Walter S. Beebe secretary.

The annual election of officers of the Baptist church was held Saturday evening with Deacon Sumner Smith, and these officers chosen: Moderator, Elmer Mulrone; clerk, Etta C. Beebe; assistant clerk; Elsie French; treasurer, Elmer Mulrone; standing committee, George M. Corey, Elmer Mulrone, Elsie French; treasurer of benevolent work, Elsie French.

The Willing Helpers of the Hampden Federated church elected these officers at a largely attended meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Isham Saturday evening: President, H. H. Thresher; vice president, John B. Isham; secretary, Miss Grace Pease; treasurer, Mrs. George Chapin. It was voted to hold a Valentine social with Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Shute February 13.

George E. Miller had his left foot injured last week while drawing ice to A. N. Hayes' farm on the Wilbraham road. Mr. Miller is employed by George A. Chapin, and while attempting to get on the wagon slipped and one of the horses became frightened and started. Mr. Miller was thrown and the wagon passed over his foot, breaking the great toe. He was attended by Dr. A. L. Hurd, and will probably be confined to his home for some time.

BRIMFIELD.

There will be an illustrated lecture in the Academy hall Saturday evening by Dr. Rufus W. Stimson of the State Board of Education on the value and work of vocational agricultural schools. Pictures showing the work of the Brimfield schools, prepared from photographs that are to be exhibited at the Panama exposition, will be thrown on the screen. All are invited, and there will be no charge for admission.

Mrs. C. S. Tarbell entertained the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brimfield Grange Friday afternoon, when the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. J. Walter Brown; vice president, Mrs. Everett Stowell; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Spooner. The following directors were chosen: Mrs. A. H. Warner, Mrs. Orus E. Parker, Mrs. Charles S. Tarbell, Mrs. Clarence Brown and Mrs. Wallace Moore.

The citizens' caucus was held Monday evening, the chairman being Robert J. Streeter and the clerk Fred N. Lawrence. The nominations follow: Town clerk, Miner Corbin; treasurer, Charles Tarbell; selectmen, Orrin Hicks, Charles Filer, Clarence Brown; overseer of the poor for three years, Thomas Haley; tax collector, Charles Tarbell; constables, Orrin Hicks, P. J. McIntyre, C. A. Roper, Elmer Bradway, Charles Filer; school committee, three years, John H. Noyes; tree warden, John W. Brown; library trustees for three years, Miss R. M. Lincoln, Rev. W. A. Estabrook; auditors, Leon Oliver, Samuel Parker.

An illustrated lecture was given in the hall of the Hitchcock Free Academy Friday night under the auspices of Brimfield Council. The lecture was by P. J. Evans, the founder of the Isle of Pines Co-operative Trust Company, who is its head and general manager. He took for his subject the Isle of Pines and Co-operation, giving a history of the development of the business which he has built up on co-operative lines in the past nine years. On the screen he showed scenes in the island, improvements and developments, roads that have been made and houses that have been built. The object of the lecture was to have a demonstration of the processes and results of co-operation, and a large number were present from adjoining towns to hear Mr. Evans.

Trapped.
"Dick," said his wife as she poured the breakfast coffee, "did you get any mail this morning?"
"Nothing but papers."
"Did you post that letter I gave you yesterday?"
"Certainly."
"Strange you haven't received it. It was addressed to you."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Death of Brimfield Physician.

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in close touch by constant reading and study with the affairs of the world and scientific progress. He also used his pen in the espousal of causes that strongly appealed to him. He was a special admirer and supporter of ex-President Taft, who was a college mate at Yale.

Dr. Fisk was a large pattern of a man in his intellectual endowments, his warm-heartedness and his ideals of citizenship. A courteous bearing and cultivated manner were manifested under all conditions, and his constant kindness was based on his faith in love for humanity. He was exceedingly gentle and sympathetic, and was quickly touched by suffering and misfortune. He rejoiced in the success of others and was peculiarly loyal in his friendships. Dr. Fisk possessed fine literary and esthetic tastes and poetic sensibility, and had a great fondness for natural scenery and flowers and was an ardent observer and lover of birds. These interests enriched his life enforced withdrawal from the activities of the world, and he also had the solace and inspiration of the friendship and affection of noted men in the medical profession, who thought with esteem

and tender regard of the one who had so early been taken from the ranks of active service.

Dr. Fisk's life in Brimfield was an example of noble heroism in the spirit with which he met his condition of broken health and termination of a career of distinguished service and influence and the courage with which he made the most of his remaining opportunities. As long as he lived he never ceased to entertain visions of human betterment and social progress. He retained his membership in leading medical associations, and a few years ago had contributed to a national meeting an important paper on climatology.

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Quartered Oak Chiffoniers,	22.00	\$16.50
Quartered Oak Chiffoniers,	20.00	\$15.00
Quartered Oak Chiffoniers,	19.50	\$13.00
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\$22

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PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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Business Club Officers.

At the annual business meeting of
the Palmer Business and Social Club
last week the following officers were
elected: President, H. M. Parsons; first
vice president, C. I. Whitcomb; second
vice president, Rufus Flynn; treasurer,
George Ezekiel; secretary, R. R. Paine;
trustees, C. A. LeGros, H. W. Holbrook,
R. B. Francis, G. J. Rathbone; election
committee, D. J. Brown, J. F. Foley,
C. W. Chamberlin, F. J. Hamilton,
James Summers, Dr. J. F. Roche.
The trustees have appointed a house
committee, composed of G. J. Rath-
bone, W. C. Hitchcock and T. J.
Moran. A buffet lunch was served
after the business meeting.

District Court.

Albini D. Chaloe of Monson was
arraigned in the district court Mon-
day morning charged with an assault
on his wife and with drunkenness.
He was found guilty of assault and
sentenced to 30 days in the House of
Correction. The drunkenness case
was placed on file.

George H. Flynn, who asked a lodg-
ing in the lockup Sunday night, was
arraigned on a charge of vagrancy.
His story proved satisfactory however,
and he was allowed to go.

The Entre Nous Whist club met at
the home of Mrs. H. C. Cheney last
night.

Mrs. L. H. Nash of Short Beach,
Ct., has been visiting the family of
S. W. Lyon of North Main street this
week.

The Campfire Girls will hold a food
sale to-morrow afternoon at 3.30 in the
store of Whitcomb and Faulkner on
Main street.

Miss Dorothy Rogers of Danbury,
Ct., was a guest over the week-end and
Sunday of her sister, Mrs. Eric Allen
of Pleasant street.

The selectmen have appointed
James Summers forest fire warden and
Charles H. Keith moth inspector; both
are reappointments.

The ladies of the Baptist church will
serve a supper of baked beans and es-
calloped potatoes in the vestry of the
church next Wednesday evening.

The restrictions imposed some time
ago on the movement of cattle, sheep,
swine, etc. on account of foot and
mouth disease, have been removed in
the town of Palmer.

The Winthrop A. C. has been chal-
lenged by a picked team to a basket-
ball game, and has accepted. The
match will be in Union Hall, Thorn-
dike, on next Thursday evening.

Probation Officer R. E. Cummings
has made his report for the past year.
The receipts of the office were: For
district court, \$275; for restitution,
\$59.25; for non-support, \$99.35; total,
\$433.60.

A. W. Holbrook has given the con-
tract to clear up the ruins of the
burned Commercial block on Main
street to the Flynn Building and Con-
struction Company of Palmer, and they
began work Tuesday morning.

The warrant for the annual town
election and appropriation meeting
will be found in another part of this
paper. The selectmen have appointed
this committee of 15 to consider the
appropriation articles: D. L. Bodfish,
chairman, C. L. Waid, C. I. Whit-
comb, W. E. Stone, J. O. Hamilton,
H. E. W. Clark, William Kerigan,
C. A. Tabor, J. J. Conway, E. G. Childs,
J. S. Shea, F. A. Uphman, H. A.
Shaw, H. W. Holbrook and H. A.
Chalifoux.

Twelve members and one visitor of
the Heweha Campfire Girls met at
Miss Mollie Barton's Monday evening
and listened to an instructive talk by
Miss Hill of the Wing Memorial Hos-
pital on first aid to the injured. She
described fainting, hysteria, hem-
orrhages, and various kinds of poison-
ing, and told the girls how to treat
such conditions in emergencies. She
also told how to revive a drowning
person and how to care for a fracture
and a sprain. After her talk the girls
asked questions. Then delicious re-
freshments were served, and an enjoy-
able hour was spent in music.

Two Valuable Rings Missing.

Were Probably Taken by Man Who Rented
Room For the Night.

Mrs. Ida Randlett of Pleasant street
is mourning the loss of two gold rings,
one containing a valuable diamond,
which were taken from her home Tues-
day morning, probably by a stranger to
whom she rented a room the evening
before. The police were notified, but
have little to work on.

The man appeared at the house
Monday evening and gave the name
of George Atwood. He said he had
come from New York and had taken a
position in town, explaining his lack
of baggage by saying that it had not
arrived. He spent the night in the
house and was seen about 9 o'clock
Tuesday morning. His room was not
far from the room in which the
rings were, in a box. Other jewelry
in the box was untouched, and it is
known that the rings were in place
earlier in the morning.

Royal Arcanum Officers Installed.

District Deputy Ethan Allen of
Springfield, and suite, came to Palmer
Tuesday evening and installed the
following officers of Quaboag council,
Royal Arcanum: Regent, C. W.
Chamberlin; past regent, Frank Mor-
way; vice regent, F. O. Royce; orator,
P. J. Connor; chaplain, G. B. Barnes;
guide, H. W. Forsman; warden, E. L.
Thompson; sentry, C. D. Graves;
treasurer, H. B. Sanborn; collector, R.
E. Cummings; secretary, James Sum-
mers; organist, G. A. Swannstrom;
trustee, for three years, C. L. Waid.
After the installation a collation was
served by Hughli, and a social time
followed. A number were present
from Equity and Pynchon councils of
Springfield, as they are always sure of
a good time when visiting Quaboag.

Horses For British Army.

Many people viewed and were inter-
ested in a train of 45 cars of horses for
the British army, which arrived in
Palmer yesterday morning over the
Central Vermont railroad and were
transferred to the Boston and Albany
line, over which they were taken to
Boston. The animals numbered 880,
and came from Canada. They are to
be shipped from Boston the last of this
week.

Vanderline T. Sanders of Pittsfield,
brother of William Sanders of Palmer
and a former resident here, died sud-
denly in a trolley car in Pittsfield Mon-
day morning of heart trouble.

Chief Summers of the fire depart-
ment announces a new modern fire
alarm box, No. 76, has been installed
at the carpet mill to replace the old
one, and that it will be tested out
to-morrow noon.

District Deputy Charles A. Royce
and suite installed the officers of
Worcester council, Royal Arcanum,
last evening. To-night they will go to
Easthampton, Monday night to War-
ren and Tuesday to Florence.

The Woman's Relief Corps is to
make a change in its February 22d
program. Instead of a chicken-pie
supper the Corps will give a play,
"Cranberry Corners," a dance, and
hold a sale. Full particulars will be
given later.

Charles L. Alger of Palmer and Miss
Blanche King of Providence, R. I.,
were married Tuesday evening at the
home of the groom's brother, Walter
L. Alger, on Park street. Rev. Otto
S. Raspe performed the ceremony, the
ring service being used.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy Scouts met in
the Congregational church Tuesday
evening with their leader, Mr. Patey.
The boys decided to form into three
patrols instead of one, as at present,
and to study plays, perhaps in prepa-
ration for the presentation of one.

Norman Taylor, who has recently
bought out the business of the Pal-
mer Ice Company, wishes it under-
stood that he is in business for him-
self, and not connected in any way
with any other person, recent re-
ports to the contrary notwithstanding.

Rev. and Mrs. Eric Allen of Pleasant
street held open house to their friends
on Friday evening of last week, and a
large number, not only of the Congre-
gational church members but of neigh-
bors and friends, took advantage of
the opportunity to visit them in their
home. Light refreshments were served
and a social time enjoyed.

Division 15, A. O. H., held a meet-
ing in K. of C. Hall Sunday for the
purpose of installing its officers. A
smoke-talk was enjoyed after the reg-
ular exercises, and the following speak-
ers were heard: Rev. P. J. Griffin of
Thorn-dike, County President James
J. Fitzgerald and Dr. Mulcahy of
Springfield, Mr. Fitzpatrick of Ware
and John E. Hurley of this town.

Many Palmer music lovers will re-
gret to learn of the death in Burling-
ton, Vt., Tuesday, of George Frothing-
ham, the famous singer of the old
Bostonians opera company, and the
original "Friar Tuck" in the opera
"Robin Hood," which part he had
sung over 6000 times. The DeKoven
opera company has revived the opera
and it will appear in Springfield Sat-
urday of this week. Mr. Frothingham
was stricken with heart failure after
the performance in Burlington Mon-
day night and died in a short time.

Modesty of Bach.

From the time when Bach was so
fortunate as to receive the appointment
of organist at Arnstadt, with an an-
nual salary of \$70 to \$80, his desires
were apparently fulfilled. He sought
for no higher post, and only when a
new one was offered him did he ac-
cept it thankfully as a gift of Provi-
dence. In every new position it was
his only aspiration to do his duty faith-
fully, and accordingly he made his
gifts serve his place, so that as an or-
ganist he composed organ pieces; as
the Weimar chapelmaster psalms and
sacred cantatas and chamber music and
as the musical director of the St. Thom-
as school his great polyphonic, difficult
vocal works. Kings and princes not
infrequently commanded him to play
to them. He did their will modestly
and, fully satisfied, returned to his
simple home. He must have known
that he was the greatest organ vir-
tuoso in the world, and at that time a
great master of this instrument was
well rewarded. He was highly esteem-
ed in France, England and Holland,
but was never known to express the
wish of setting his foot on foreign soil.
—Johann Friedrich Rochlitz.

Pretty Bad.

The barber was very busy, and the
shop was full of men waiting for him
to practice his tonsorial art upon their
heads and faces.

One man, Mr. Blank, became tired
of waiting for his turn to come and
started to leave. Although his beard
had come out pretty heavy, he thought
no one would notice it and that he
could come back the next morning
when Hughes, the barber, was not so
very busy. The barber, not wishing
a customer to go away unattended to,
accosted him by saying, "You're not
leavin' us, is you, Mr. Blank?"

Mr. Blank felt of his face and re-
plied, "Why, I don't need a shave, do
I Hughes?"

Hughes thereupon looked his cus-
tomer over critically and answered
him assuredly: "No, you don't need a
shave. All youse needs is a haircut
on de face."—National Monthly.

Motherland.

It is a suggestive fact, and one well
worth noting—although we have no
recollection of having ever heard at-
tention called directly to it—that Brit-
ons are the only people in the world
who speak of the home of their race as
the motherland. The Jews were and
are, the "Children of Israel." Pale-
stine was and is, to them always the
"Land of Our Fathers." Rome was
"Patria" to her citizens. France is "La
Patrie" to her sons and daughters.
Germany is distinctively "the father-
land" to all its people. The same is
true of every existing nation of impor-
tance, so far as we are aware. Even
the national hymn of the United States
appeals to "Our Fathers' God." Brit-
ain's children reverently think and
speak of their motherland.—Halifax
Chronicle.

Ocean Cables.

The diameter of the Atlantic cable
varies according to the depth of the
water, the character of the bottom on
which it lies and the probabilities of
interference from anchors. It is small-
est in midocean depths. There is lit-
tle or no movement at the bottom, and
it is important that the cable should
not have great weight. A heavy cab-
le in deep water would be difficult to
bring up for repairs if such were need-
ed. In the shallow water a heavier
type of cable is used. The types are
known as "shore end," "intermediate"
and "deep sea." The diameters of the
commercial cables are: Shore end, two
and three-quarter inches; intermediate,
one and three-quarter inches; deep sea,
one inch.

Musical Note.

"How do you sell your music?" asked
the prospective customer.
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replied the smart clerk. "We sell piano
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man his sword and helmet rest on his
coffin.

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his sword and helmet are fastened to
the saddle of his horse, which is led
immediately behind the gun carriage,
and his top boots, with spurs attached,
are fastened in the stirrups, with the
toes pointing backward.

A firing party, drawn, if possible,
from the deceased's regiment, fire three
volleys over the grave, and the "Last
Post" is then sounded by buglers.—
Pearson's Weekly.

Why He Didn't Cry.

Mother—Goodness, how did you hurt
your finger so?

Little Son—With a hammer.

"When?"

"A good while ago."

"I didn't hear you cry."

"No, mother. I thought you were
out."—Stray Stories.

Wisdom.

Hope and success make a finer tonic
than medicine.

The best tonic is fresh air.

The best restorative is sleep.

The best stimulant is exercise.

Fatigue calls for rest and not the
spur.—Wisconsin State Journal.

One View of Golf.

"Pop, what is golf?"

"Golf, my son, is just the same as
work, except that you get paid for
work."—Pittsburgh Press.

A Good Start.

"He offers me a platonic affection."

"Well, take it. A platonic affection
often leads to the real thing."—Pitts-
burgh Post.

Between Citizens.

He was abusing things in general.

"Have you registered?" asked the
other man.

"N-n-no."

"A citizen should always register.
Your vote will do more to correct mat-
ters than your criticism."—Pittsburgh
Post.

Seeking Information.

Little Wife—How do you like mes-
saline and brocade satin with chiffon
over velvet? Hubby—What are you
talking about—clothes or the platform
of the woman's party?—Chicago News.

Musical Note.

"Say, Hiram, what do they mean by
a Stradevar'us?"

"Oh, a Stradevar'us is the Latin name
for a fiddle."—Musical Courier.

Common Course.

Hi—What course is Sarah studying
at that boarding school? Si—I can't re-
member, but I think it's cosmetics.—
Stamford Chaparral.

The only failure a man ought to fear
is failure in cleaving to the purpose he
sees to be best.—George Elliot.

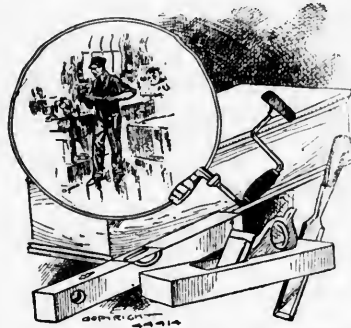
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A. J. Todd.
Mrs. J. P. Sloan.

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In Monson, 18th, Mrs. John Dower, 68.
In Monson, 18th, Mrs. Lovinia Carew, 77.
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By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Szczepan Matera and Elzbita Matera to the Palmer Savings Bank, dated October 23, 1912, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Hampden, Book 847, Page 310, for breach of the condition contained in said mortgage, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction, on the premises, on Saturday, the thirteenth day of February, A. D. 1915, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:—A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon and all the rights, privileges and appurtenances thereto appertaining or belonging, lying in the village of Thorndike, in Palmer, in said County of Hampden, and bounded and described as follows:

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NOTICE TO VOTERS.

Office of Board of Registrars of Voters, Palmer, Mass., Jan. 12, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session Monday, Jan. 18, in the Boston Duck Company's Hall, Bondsville, from 6.45 to 7.45 p. m.; Wednesday, Jan. 20, Ruggles Hall, Three Rivers, from 6.15 to 7.15 p. m.; Wednesday, Jan. 20, Temperance Hall, Thorndike, from 7.30 to 8.30 p. m.; and at the Selectmen's Room, Library Building, Depot Village, Saturday, Jan. 23, from 12 m. to 10 p. m., for the purpose of receiving evidence of the qualifications of persons claiming a right to vote at the election to be held on Monday, Feb. 1, 1915, and of correcting the list of voters. No name can be added to the voters' list (except to correct omissions made by clerical error or mistake) after 10 o'clock of the evening of Saturday, January 23, 1915, at which time registration closes.

By order of the Board of Registrars of Voters.

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High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

Helen Murphy, '17, has been absent several days.

Raymond Holden, '15, was absent part of the week on account of illness.

The boys held basketball practise in Union Hall, Thorndike, last Thursday, Monday and to day. The squad still continues to be small, consisting only of about ten or twelve.

The physics class is receiving a taste of the same medicine as that given the chemistry class. The instructor has extended their recitations to two periods instead of one.

At a meeting of the girls' basketball squad last Friday Catherine Collins, '15 was elected captain of the first team and Mary Sullivan, P. G., was chosen captain of the second team, although she plays on the first.

The basketball team will play the Stafford High quintet of Stafford, Ct., to-morrow evening in Union Hall at 8 o'clock. The boys are expecting a hard struggle, but are fully prepared to make the visitors play their best. A good contest is guaranteed, and the public is urged to witness it.

Monday afternoon Mr. Kiley met those who wished to try for the Senior play cast, and about 26 reported. Those who had no preference as to parts were assigned one. The parts have not been given out. The play is entitled "The Private Secretary," and calls for nine male and four female characters. It is a three-act farce, and is evidently considered a high-grade piece, as there is a royalty of \$15 for its production. It will be given in the opera house on the evening of February 11.

Palmer High graduates are making

good in all departments, it seems. Robert Bodfish, '14, now a freshman in Clark college, Worcester, has been elected captain of the college debating team, which will meet Bates college, Clark's most dreaded contestant, in Worcester some time in April. The other disputants are a junior and senior. It is seldom that a freshman makes the team, not to speak of being elected captain.

The following shows the class and three or more of the highest records in spelling in the commercial department of the high school for the week ending December 15, 1914:

Names.	Possible	Trials	Errors.	Pr. ct.
Entire Senior Class.	1700	34	38	
Rubie Jones.	100	0	100	
Rose Ildle.	100	0	100	
Entire Junior Class.	2700	47	38	
William Donahue.	100	0	100	
Edith Hamilton.	100	0	100	
Amy Lindquist.	100	0	100	
Edward McKellett.	100	0	100	
Odna Paine.	100	0	100	
Edna Shaw.	100	0	100	
Margaret Sullivan.	100	0	100	
Mary Sullivan.	100	0	100	
Elmer Thomas.	100	0	100	
Raymond Tucker.	100	0	100	

The January assembly will be omitted on account of the extra time required for the mid year examinations. The committee are planning to give an extra good assembly probably about February 23d, in the evening in Memorial Hall. A patriotic program will be presented and the public is cordially invited. Besides the regular speakers and musicians, a short play will be given by members of the second year classes.

The first debate of the Forum, which was held in Miss Clark's room last Friday afternoon, was successful in every way. The room was not large enough to accommodate the crowd and this again emphasizes the need of an assembly hall. The debaters put up a good contest, showing good preparation and study. The negative, up-

held by Miss Jones '15, and Mr. Loftus '16, was superior in the main arguments, but the affirmative side, supported by Mr. Lyon '15, and Miss Ritch '16, won by its superior rebuttals. The question was: "Resolved: That children under sixteen should not be allowed to work in confining industries." The judges, Miss Miss Sayles '15, Mr. Healy '15, and Miss Newbury '16, judged upon a basis of 25 per cent for presentation, 25 per cent for material, and 50 per cent for rebuttal. The meeting was presided over by the president of the society, Roger Holden '15. There will probably be another school debate the week of February 1 or 7, and a public debate in Memorial Hall the week of March 8.

Mr. Hurley has posted the schedule for the mid-year examinations to be held next week, with the announcement that anyone who obtains a mark of 85 percent in the mid-years in a study may be excused from taking the finals in June, provided the pupil keeps an average of 85 per cent in the study for the rest of the year. Graduates of this school have found it hard to become used to the severe examinations in colleges and higher schools of education, owing to their insufficient experience here. To meet this deficiency Mr. Hurley has instituted monthly, mid-year, and final examinations. The monthly examinations count one-fifth of the months' mark, and the mid-years one-fifth of the year's mark.

Palmer High came back strongly last Friday night in a basketball game in Union Hall, Thorndike, the team making up for its two successive defeats by an easy victory over Ludlow High. This makes the fifth victory out of eight games played. The boys got the lead at the beginning of the contest and held it throughout, though

at times by a very close margin. The locals showed improvement in their passing, and surpassed the Ludlow five in shooting baskets. Albro featured for the home team and Burr starred for the visitors. In a preliminary game the Palmer Second Team was badly defeated by the Winthrop Athletic Club. A fairly large crowd attended both games. The line-ups:

Palmer High. Ludlow High.
Lyon, Magee, Brosnan, lb. rb., McIntosh
Albro, rf. lb., Quimby
Monat, c. c., Walker
Keele, lb. rf., Rooney
Martin, rb. lf., Burr

Score: Palmer 34, Ludlow 25; baskets from floor, Albro 7, Monat 6, Martin, Magee, Burr 6, Rooney 2, Walker; baskets on free tries, Albro 5, Rooney 5; free tries missed, Albro 3, Rooney 4; points awarded Ludlow. Referee, Banister; timers, Farrell and Swann. Time, 20-minute halves.

Winthrop A. C. Palmer High Second
H. Bell, lf. rb., Monroe
C. Bell, rf. lb., Jameson
Edmonds, c. c., George McDonald
R. Phaneuf, A. Phaneuf, lb. rf., McKellett
Brantford, rb. lf., Hughes

Winthrop A. C., 22, Palmer 5; baskets from floor, C. Bell 4, H. Bell 3, Edmonds 2, McKellett 2; baskets on free tries, C. Bell, H. Bell 3, Hughes, Referee, Farrell; timers, Swann and Banister. Time, 20-minute halves.

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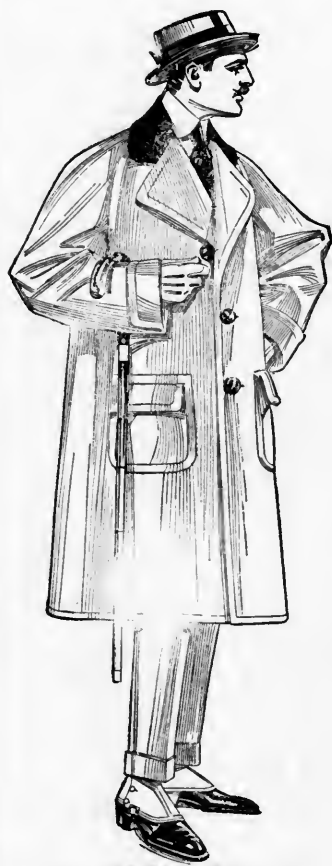
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THORNDIKE.

Master Howard Tabor has been ill three days this week.

Samuel Thayer has a new Maxwell five-passenger touring car.

Miss Mildred Loftus is teaching in Three Rivers in the evening school.

Fred Bondsville has been very ill at his home on Church street the past week.

A number of people attended the wrestling match at Three Rivers Monday evening.

Thomas Coogan of Indian Orchard has been a recent guest of his sister, Mrs. J. J. Kelley.

Martin Brosnan of Ware was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Brosnan, this week.

Rev. P. J. Griffin, pastor of St. Mary's church, left Tuesday for a visit of a few days out of town.

Mr. Simonds and family have moved from Palmer to the property owned by Mr. Nash on the Ware road.

Mrs. H. T. Bishop of Hartford, a former resident, has been visiting friends in town during the week.

Mrs. Joseph Murray has been confined to her home on Pine avenue for several days on account of illness.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. James Campbell spent last Sunday with friends in Springfield.

John Campbell visited friends in West Warren last week-end, while Master Kennard Campbell spent Sunday with friends in Ludlow.

A month's mind mass of requiem in memory of the late Dennis Horgan was celebrated in St. Mary's church Monday morning by the pastor.

Many of the village people are planning to attend the concert at the Auditorium in Springfield Feb. 12, to hear John McCormack, the famous Irish tenor.

The financial report of St. Mary's parish for the year past was read by the pastor on Sunday and showed a balance on the right side of the ledger of \$160.

The Belchertown and Bondsville basketball teams will play in Union Hall Saturday night, and Palmer High will meet Stafford High tomorrow night in the same place.

There was a large attendance at the Ware-Thorndike basketball game on Saturday evening in Union Hall. The game was a one-sided affair and was won by the visitors with ease.

The water in the Ware river has risen to such a height as the result of the week's rains that it reminds one of the spring freshets. It is the highest that it has been for several months.

Next Sabbath morning Rev. J. E. Enman will preach on "Immortality," and in the evening his subject will be, "The Daily Practice of Good-will Toward Men." Sabbath school meets at noon.

The rains of Sunday and Monday have done a great deal towards refilling the springs, much to the pleasure of many persons in the village who have been without water for some weeks.

Several members of Palmer Council, K. of C., attended the exemplification of the third degree at Springfield Sunday, and many are planning to attend the working of degrees at Indian Orchard next Sunday.

Michael Kelley has been confined to his home for the past week on account of injuries he sustained last Friday while hauling lumber on a two-horse sled. The lumber slid off the sled and pinned his feet in such a manner that he was badly bruised and shaken up, although he escaped serious injury.

The evening school which opened Monday evening in the grammar school building was attended by 64 persons: Many more have signified their intention of attending, and the number is sure to be considerably increased. Mr. Eastman of the Palmer high school, and Miss Flora Morey are the teachers.

THREE RIVERS.

Miss Grace Walsh spent the week-end at the home of her mother in Westfield.

Frank Birse has returned to Springfield after spending several days with his parents on School street.

Mr. Whitehead of Providence, R. I., was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Oumette of Main street.

Miss Rachel Chambers of Springfield has been spending a few days at her home on the Belchertown road.

Mrs. James Eaton and brother, Harry Birse, of School street, left Friday for California, where they will remain.

Miss Florida Bleau of Holyoke is visiting at the home of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lebeau on Main street.

Miss Frances Hartnett of Springfield spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Thomas Hartnett of Belchertown road.

Miss Evelyn Calkins, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Calkins of Cheneyville, is ill at her home with diphtheria.

Joseph Bothwell of Montville, Ct., visited at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Palmer road, the last of the week.

Miss Sarah Bothwell of Westfield Normal School, was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Palmer road.

A meeting of those interested in agriculture was held Tuesday afternoon at Recreation Hall. In spite of inclement weather a good number were in attendance. A talk was given on fertilizing.

Invitations have been received by many here to the exhibition at Miller's, on Harrison avenue in Springfield, of the pictures painted by Ralph Senecal of this village. Mr. Senecal's talent has always been recognized by the people here, but this is the first opportunity which they have had of viewing his work in exhibition form.

Night school was opened here Monday evening with John Hurley, principal of the Palmer high school, in charge. He was assisted by Miss Grace Walsh, teacher of grade 5 in this village, Miss Helen Grace, teacher of grade 5 in Bondsville, and Miss Mildred Loftus of Thorndike, who has acted as substitute in the schools here. About 95 were enrolled.

In the Idle Hour moving picture palace to-night will be shown the seventeenth episode of "The Perils of Pauline," in two reels, the fourth episode of the "Trey of Hearts," in two reels, and one reel of comedy. Saturday evening the "Million Dollar Mystery" in two parts, the "Mutual Girl," and three reels of comedy.

The drama, "The Dairy Homestead," was presented Tuesday and Wednesday evenings in Cerele Canadian Hall to good sized audiences. The cast took their parts ably and each deserves praise for their work. It was a rural play and the situations afforded good opportunity for a hearty laugh, and it was much enjoyed by all. The proceeds are for the Cerele Canadian.

BONDSDVILLE.

Death of Mrs. Catherine Fenton.

Mrs. Catherine Scanlon, 78, wife of Patrick Fenton, one of Bondsville's oldest and most respected residents, died at her home on the Thorndike road Monday morning after a short illness of pneumonia. She was born in Ireland in 1837, and came to this country when a young girl. On January 11, 1857, she was married by Rev. John T. Roddan, and since then has spent practically all her life in this village, where she enjoyed a host of friends. She observed the anniversary of her marriage January 11, just a week previous to her death. Until the last year she has been able to attend to her household duties. Her health had failed during the past few months, although she was able to attend church occasionally. Besides her husband she leaves four sons, Patrick W., Michael F. and Joseph R. of Springfield, and Andrew at home; also three daughters, Mrs. Patrick J. Rowan of Bradford, Ct., Mrs. William H. Norton of Springfield, and Elizabeth A. at home; also three grandchildren, Katherine T., Joseph C. and William E. Fenton, all of Springfield. The funeral was held from the home this morning, followed by a solemn requiem mass in St. Bartholomew's church, of which the deceased had been a member since its formation; interment was in St. Thomas' cemetery. Mrs. Fenton's four sons acted as bearers.

Jay Banister of Worcester was a guest Tuesday of his brother, Charles H. Banister.

The meeting of the M. E. Sunday school board will be held this evening with Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.

Mr. Fuller of Springfield spent part of last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lamb.

A postponed meeting of the Sunday school board will be held this evening with Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.

H. C. Morgan and Miss Mary O'Dell spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George Fairbanks in Ware.

Miss Alice Banister was a guest Sunday of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Vaughn, in Southbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. George Birse and son Harry of Three Rivers were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hutton.

Mrs. Frank S. Gordon has returned from a few weeks' visit with her mother, Mrs. Bullis in Au Sable Chasm, N. Y.

Mrs. William Sweatland of South Belchertown is suffering from the effects of a shock sustained at her home last Friday. Owing to her advanced aged grave fears are expressed as to her condition.

The Ladies' Aid Society served an oyster supper in the vestry Thursday evening. Following the supper an entertainment was given consisting of a piano solo by Mrs. Faunce; songs by a quartette, violin solo by Willie McViekar, and readings by Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin.

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Monson News.

Deaths of the Week.

Mrs. John Dower.

Mrs. John Dower, 68, died at her home on High street Monday morning after an illness of several weeks. She was born in Mayo county, Ireland, and came to this country when 18 years of age. Thirty-one years ago she married John Dower. Mr. and Mrs. Dower were among the first Irish families to settle in Monson, and have been well-known residents for many years. She leaves no near relatives besides her husband. The funeral was held at the home Wednesday morning, followed by a mass of requiem in St. Patrick's church; burial was in the Pearl street cemetery.

Charles Wilbur.

Charles Wilbur, 68, died at the home of his son Albert on Bridge street Monday evening after an illness of one day. He was born in South Coventry, Ct., and came to Monson 12 years ago when his son took up his residence here. He leaves a widow, one son, Albert of Monson, and a brother of William, Ct. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon; burial was in the Pearl street cemetery.

Mrs. Lovinia Carew.

Mrs. Lovinia Carew, 77, a resident of Monson for many years, died at the home of her son, John Carew, at South Monson, Tuesday morning after a long illness with heart trouble. She was born in Monson and had spent most of her life here. She leaves five sons, Jesse, Justin, Merrill and John of Monson, and Nelson M. Carew of Hampden; also two daughters, Mrs. Francis Chaffee of Stafford and Mrs. F. O. Bliss of Longmeadow. The funeral was held this afternoon at the home, followed by burial in the No. 1 cemetery.

Unusually Interesting Lectures.

One of the most interesting and instructive lectures ever delivered in Monson was given by W. S. C. Russell of the Springfield high school before the Social and Literary Club of the Universalist church last Thursday evening. Mr. Russell spoke on "Iceland," showing a large number of interesting views. His description of this little-known-of country and its people was much enjoyed.

Heavy Rain Does Much Good.

The heavy rain of Monday and Tuesday did considerable damage to roads in the out districts, but the abundant water which fell and found its way into wells and springs will be gratefully received. Many farmers have been carting water for domestic purposes considerable distances since August and driving their stock to water. These farmers report however that the recent rain took the frost out of the ground in many places and found its way to their wells, so that they have sufficient supply for the balance of the winter.

Fine Lecture Coming.

Monson people will have an opportunity to hear a noted traveler and war correspondent next Wednesday evening, when Peter MacQueen will give an illustrated lecture as the fourth entertainment of the Epworth League Lyceum course in Memorial Hall. Mr. MacQueen is a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and has traveled all over the world. He will lecture on the European war, having come from the scenes of that great struggle only a few days ago. During his stay in Northern France he was arrested and tried by court martial, but acquitted.

Joseph Rock has purchased a business in Westerly, R. I.

C. L. Peck spent the week-end with relatives in Providence.

D. W. Ellis, who has been ill for two weeks, is out again.

A. L. Squier of Somerville has been spending a few days in town.

Mrs. Mary Buffington has returned from a visit with relatives in Springfield. Clark Andrews of Worcester "Tech" is home for a few days during mid-years.

Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Ellis are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

Francis Bradway of Ludlow spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. William Bradway.

Miss Elsie Nicholson of Springfield has been spending a few days with Miss Maude Rees.

The registrars of voters added two new names to their list at a meeting last Saturday evening.

The junior class of the academy will hold their annual "Prom" Friday evening, February 5.

A. D. Ellis was recently elected a director of the Springfield Safe Deposit and Trust Company.

The Fortnightly Club will meet with Mrs. Ralph Clifford at her home on North Main street Monday afternoon.

Monson people are continuing to respond willingly to calls for relief work for war sufferers. The women are working diligently on Red Cross work, and the contributions of cash to the various relief measures have been proportionately large for a village of 4500 people.

Caucus Nominations.

Republican voters numbering 79 attended the caucus in Memorial Hall Monday evening. R. H. Cushman was chosen moderator and E. R. Cooke clerk. The only contest was for nomination as town clerk, F. Q. Ball winning over Carlos M. Gage by the small margin of five votes, 51-46. The rest of the ticket nominated follows: Treasurer, T. L. Cushman; tax collector, H. F. Miller; selectmen and overseers of the poor, E. F. Faulkner, G. L. Keeney and F. R. Sutcliffe; assessor for three years, Franklin O. Bliss; school committee for three years, Dr. Elwyn W. Capen, Robert S. Fay; water commissioner for three years, Robert K. Squier; cemetery commissioner for three years, Rufus P. Cushman; constables, H. A. Aldrich, Walter J. MacDonald, B. L. Broadbent, E. S. Howlett, Charles H. Stacy; fence viewers, F. D. Rogers, Edgar Squier, H. D. Vail; auditors, A. J. Buffington, Robert E. Shaw. John P. Herlihy was chairman and Luke F. Moran clerk of the Democratic caucus Tuesday evening. Only 26 votes were cast. The officers nominated are: Town clerk, E. J. Lyons; town treasurer, T. L. Cushman; tax collector, H. F. Miller; selectmen, J. P. Herlihy, H. M. Smith, R. D. Tucker; assessor for three years, Timothy F. Foley; school committee for three years, H. M. Foley, R. S. Hughes; water commissioner for three years, W. T. Lewis; cemetery commissioner for three years, R. P. Cushman; constables, H. A. Aldrich, E. S. Howlett, W. J. MacDonald, N. J. McAuliffe, J. L. Moran, C. H. Stacy; fence viewers, F. D. Rogers, Edgar Squier, H. D. Vail; auditors, E. P. Donovan, F. C. Park.

Political Forecast.

The primaries held Monday and Tuesday nights have put the political movement where it will follow the lines of least resistance on election day, Feb. 1st. It is generally conceded that the present board of selectmen will be returned for another year, although Mr. Keeney may make showing enough to make it interesting. That E. J. Lyons will be able to get nearly 100 Republican votes away from Mr. Ball does not seem probable, although the former has made a good showing in the past and will run stronger for town clerk office than he has for any previous position. Political "gossips" have it that R. K. Squier and William T. Lewis will have the keenest contest of the ticket in their strife for water commissioner. Both are capable men, suitable in their respective ways for the position they desire. Odds seem to favor the younger man at this time.

Will Try For District Nurse.

The town improvement society has made arrangements to start a fund to secure the services of a district nurse, and the society will hold an entertainment in Memorial Hall the evening of Feb. 12, at which several local stars will exhibit their talent. The society for the past two years has been active in a spring clean-up campaign, and has now been put upon a firmly organized basis for all kinds of community service work, the district nurse project being one of the new plans in view. Mrs. F. W. Ellis, who was instrumental in organizing the society, is its president.

Henry W. Bugbee has returned from a visit with friends in New York city. James Dower of Baltimore has been spending a few days with his father, John Dower of High street.

Nelson A. Bugbee and Dr. William Stone, who have been seriously ill with pneumonia, are slowly improving.

The registrars of voters will hold their last meeting on Saturday of next week from 12 o'clock noon until 10.30 p. m.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Methodist church will serve a supper in the vestry to-morrow evening at 6 o'clock.

Ernest H. Carpenter has purchased of Ralph D. Tucker the Daniel W. Palmer farm on East Hill, and will occupy it at once.

Mrs. Lillian Parkhurst and suite of Palmer will install the officers of Quabog lodge of Rebekahs in Masonic Hall this evening.

The selectmen have appointed O. E. Bradway forest fire warden and Robert S. Fay brown-tail moth superintendent for the year 1915.

Shaw & Tacketts are running their mill up to 10 o'clock evenings, a rush order of cloth for uniforms for the allied armies being the product.

Alfred Baldwin Sr. has purchased of C. W. Robinson the grocery business known as the Old Corner Store. Mr. Baldwin has taken possession.

Mrs. Lilla Parkhurst and suite of Palmer installed the officers of Marcus Keep Women's Relief Corps in Memorial Hall Wednesday evening.

Representative Cady reports affairs going finely at the newly-opened Legislature. Mr. Cady has been put on the committee on mercantile affairs.

The Monson Basketball Association team was defeated in Memorial Hall last evening by the Thorndike team,

through an extra period being necessary to decide a tie score of 11 to 11. Dancing followed the game, with music by Kittredge & Entwistle's orchestra. Thomas Hillard dislocated one of the bones in his right ankle during the game, and was attended by Dr. J. S. McQuaid.

The 11.45 electric car Monday was derailed by sand near the Wales road, and it was necessary to send another car down from Palmer. One trip was missed in the regular schedule.

Mrs. R. P. Cushman, Mrs. Thomas Johns-n, Mrs. O. P. Holdridge and Mrs. Frank Brown were a committee appointed in charge of a Dorcas supper at the Congregational church Tuesday evening.

The Current Events club met with Mrs. R. P. Cushman this afternoon at J. "George Elliot" was the subject discussed in three papers by Mrs. G. C. Flynt, Mrs. H. F. Dewing and Mrs. L. C. Flynt.

Lee Rice of Wilbraham, a prominent peach grower, A. R. Jenks and A. J. Grant of the Hampden County Improvement League addressed a gathering of Monson farmers at the Green street school Tuesday evening.

There will be meetings to-morrow morning at 9 and in the afternoon at 2 o'clock in the Bungalow of all ladies interested in the work being done for the war sufferers. All are invited to come.

Rev. E. Talmadge Root of the Massachusetts Federation of Churches will speak in the Congregational church Sunday morning, and will conduct a union service in the Methodist church in the evening at 7 o'clock.

The Dorcas Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 with Mrs. Bert Anderson and Mrs. Eugene Cook at the home of the former on High street. Dr. Mary Burnham will speak on the "Work of the International College."

Additional changes have been made at the parlors of the Congregational church, and the appearance of these rooms has been made most attractive during the past three months.

Miss Florence Bugbee of North Adams, who has been spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Bugbee, has returned to her duties as matron at the Adams Normal School.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushey.)

Walter J. Moore spent Sunday in Worcester.

Wilson T. Allyn was a visitor in Springfield Saturday.

Joseph Martin spent the week-end in Pittsfield with his parents.

Mrs. French has organized the Gym classes for the winter term.

Linophilian meets this evening. The discussion is to be "Milton and the Miltonian Period of Literature."

The boarding student Y. M. C. A. held a song service in the Cushman Hall living room at 6.30 Sunday night.

Mr. Knight treated the male portion of the faculty, including Mr. Dewing and excepting Mr. Perry, to a Saturday night outing in his car.

Rev. Charles A. Dinsmore and Thaddeus L. Cushman, trustees of Monson Academy, visited recitation rooms Tuesday morning.

The Y. M. C. A. boys took a "hike" Sunday afternoon, although the weather wasn't exactly pleasant. The Morris House boys were the designated leaders.

Philomathean met last Friday. Misses Fuller, Pendergast, Lowell and Shaw were the committee in charge. The discussion was on Ruyard Kipling and Alfred Noyes.

Friday night of last week the class of 1918 gave a social for the Seniors. Programs were issued and refreshments served. The usual "Dan Tuckers", "Hot Coffees", and "Virginia Reels" were performed.

Henry Knight drove up to the Academy building in his automobile Friday night and visited the school Saturday, leaving for Worcester Sunday morning with his machine. Ralph Smith of Boston was a visitor at the Hall, coming with Mr. Knight.

The 'Varsity basketball team of the Academy defeated the strong Springfield Boys' Club, 35-26. Martin, a recent addition to the Varsity, proved a "dark horse" and got away with some sensational basketball. Captain Inglehart played his usual heady, fast game and scored 17 points for his team. McCarthy, Leahy and Squier held their men well.

Middletown High School is the team scheduled to play here next Saturday. Last year Middletown was runner-up for the state championship of Connecticut. They have made little change in their line-up this year, and are playing a whirlwind game on their own floors. Monson basketball fans ought to see as fast a game as last Saturday at any rate, and the chances are decidedly in favor of a faster one.

The boarding student members of the Y. M. C. A. have formed a bowling league consisting of the following teams: A, Hill, Woodruff, Johnson, Fushey; B, Reiners, M. Ralston, Westwell, Andrews; C, Martin, Burrill, Christy, Allen; D, Cande, Gillette, Wenzel, J. Moore; E, Harper, Inglehart, Cushman, Hughes; F, Congreve, Oothout, Fields, Richter. A tournament was held last Friday evening, resulting as follows: A 236, C 294; B 236, F 250r E 284, D 274.

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DEAD BODY IN A BARN.

Found by Hunters near West
Brimfield Friday.

DEATH DUE TO EXPOSURE PROBABLY.

No Clue as to Victim's Identity. Had
Been There Three or Four
Days Only.

Hunters found the dead body of an unknown man in the barn on the Blodgett place near West Brimfield last Friday afternoon. Medical Examiner J. P. Schneider was notified and viewed the body. His examination resulted in a decision that death was probably due to exposure, and that the body had not been where it was found more than two or three days.

The body was fairly well dressed, and was about 5 feet 6 inches in height, weight about 155 pounds, with light complexion and sandy mustache. One of the pockets contained a note book in which something had been written in a foreign language, and there was also part of a letter signed "Harry." The body was taken to Phillips' undertaking rooms.

The find was made by Walter Rhodes of Leicester, who was hunting in that vicinity with A. J. Bowers of Worcester. The men had gone to the barn to eat their luncheon and Rhodes went inside to see if he could find material with which to build a fire. He saw the body and notified Bowers, after which the medical examiner was notified by telephone from a farmhouse near by.

Hampden Grangers' Row.

Court Asked to Settle Alleged Grievance
But Declines the Job.

The town of Hampden, which has attained considerable notoriety in recent times by the court experiences of its citizens, was brought into the limelight again the past week by a suit in equity brought by four of its prominent citizens against eight other equally prominent citizens all members of the Hampden Grange which was disbanded in April of last year, the suit being for deprivation of rights in that action and damages of \$1000 for illegal disposal of property of the order.

The suit is the outcome of trouble which started last spring, when three prominent citizens were blackballed when their names were proposed for membership in the Grange. It was pretty generally conceded who had done the "trick," and an effort was made to get rid of them in the organization. The Grange was disbanded and a new organization formed with most of the old members, but with the plaintiffs in this case left out. The property of the former organization, consisting of a piano, silverware and furniture, was turned over to the new body. This the plaintiffs claim was illegal and against the rules of the order. They asked the court to issue an injunction restraining the present officers from disposing of the property, and to decide if the surrendering of the charter was legal. The plaintiffs were Albert F. Ballard, Rose E. Ballard, Ellen A. Kibbe and Corwin L. Kibbe, and the defendants were Charles I. Burleigh, master; E. Northrop Davis, overseer; Charles S. Shute, treasurer; Mrs. Mary A. Sessions, secretary; Arthur V. Deane, steward; Harold A. Ryder, assistant steward; Mrs. Elizabeth Sessions, lecturer; Marcus S. Beebe, chaplain.

The case was heard before Judge James B. Carroll on Monday, who decided that it was not a matter in which an injunction should be issued. He held that appeals to the state and national officers of the order had not been exhausted, and advised the hearing of the matter by a master, which will be done.

Found Dead in Holland.

Thomas Kelley Dies From Results of
Exposure on Saturday.

Thomas Kelley, 57, was found dead on the floor of his home in Holland Tuesday afternoon. He had lived alone since the departure of a companion a few weeks ago. He had not been seen since last Saturday, and a neighbor who called to see if he was sick found him dead. His clothing was wet through, and it is probable that he was out in the storm of Saturday night and became exhausted after reaching his home. Medical Examiner J. P. Schneider of Palmer was called and decided that death was due to exposure.

Warren Has "Peeper" Scare.

Several Families Alarmed, But No Capture
Has Yet Been Made.

Residents in certain sections of Warren have been much annoyed recently by some person who seems to possess an undue desire to observe the home habits of families, and complaint has been made to the selectmen. Tuesday night of last week a man was observed peeping into the window of the home of Mrs. Julia Cantwell on Pine street, and a hurry call was sent to Officer St. George. He responded at once but was unable to find any trace of the fellow. The same evening Robert Johnson, while returning to his home, saw a man acting strangely in the yard of Lewis W. Pease. When Johnson approached the man disappeared in the rear of the Congregational church. A man was also noticed peeping into the window of George H. Sulloway's house on Morse avenue; he ran down the street when spoken to.

Early Wednesday morning Chief St. George was called to Mechanic street, where a man had been prowling about and acting strangely. He had been seen by several people and the whole locality was much excited. The man was chased by Charles Moore, and disappeared in the woods near Comins' pond. The officer found the residents of the locality considerably perturbed, but could find no trace of the man who had caused the trouble.

BRIMFIELD.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving G. Davis, who have been visiting his parents in Maine, have returned home.

An adjourned meeting of the Farmers' Co-operative Exchange was held in the selectmen's room Monday afternoon. Orus Parker presided at the meeting and the reports showed the exchange to be in good condition with a good amount of business done and promise of more for the coming year, and an increase of membership. The following officers were elected for the coming year: President, Orus E. Parker; vice president, Clarence B. Brown; secretary and manager, Edward S. Butterfield; treasurer, John H. Noyes; auditors, Irving G. Davis, Charles S. Tarbell, George M. Hitchcock.

Dr. Rufus Stimson, agent of the State Board of Education, gave a most interesting and instructive lecture Saturday evening in the hall of the Hitchcock Free Academy on the work and value of vocational schools. The lecture was illustrated with stereoscopic views, which are to be sent by the Massachusetts Board of Education to the Panama exposition. Among the pictures were interesting views of the activities of the Brimfield agricultural school. In his talk Dr. Stimson dwelt first on the peculiar cultural value of the study of agriculture as organized and directed in Massachusetts. The pupils not only learn processes but also become acquainted with the scientific principles underlying these processes. He showed on the screen outlines of courses and programs of study, and said that the Massachusetts plan of education was held up as a model by the United States Department of Agriculture, which has issued a bulletin describing it. He then showed pictures illustrating the distinctive features of the various agricultural schools in the state. Among the Brimfield scenes were those of boys engaged in making a hotbed, pruning trees, employed in field projects and in dairying. Forns of recreation were illustrated as being necessary to true education as well as to the enjoyment of rural life. Several pictures of the model dairy barn of Clarence Brown, chairman of the advisory board, were exhibited. In spite of the storm, there was a good attendance of people from Brimfield and elsewhere. Dr. Stimson will present the same subject in the town hall this evening, repeating some of the pictures and showing others, adding especially more of the Brimfield scenes.

An Open Letter.

To the Righteous of Brimfield:—
It has recently been reported to me that a story is in circulation in this town that during my incumbency as teacher in the grammar school here in the spring of 1905 I took advantage of my position to speak contemptuously of religion, the Bible, etc.

This story, which never had any basis in fact and which is being circulated now for political effect, I brand as a contemptible falsehood and do declare that he or she who gives currency to it is guilty of mendacious ignorance and is a sinner in whom the truth has no permanent abiding place. I am not anxious for political distinction but would appreciate it if my opponents, in seeking excuses for my defeat, would confine themselves to facts. While I trust that no one will consider himself insulted by these few lines I beg him to believe, should the reverse be the case, I have tried to do the job handsomely.

Yours truly,

EDWARD J. PRINDLE.
Brimfield, Jan. 27, 1915.

SAVED FROM DROWNING.

Mother and Infant Taken From
River at Thorndike.

BY HEROIC EFFORTS OF THREE MEN.

The Child Broke Through Thin Ice and
Mother Went to His Aid. No
Serious Results.

Mrs. Kosmeder and her son Joseph, three and a half years of age, were nearly drowned in the Ware river at Thorndike Tuesday afternoon by breaking through the thin ice, and were rescued from their perilous situation by Patrick Nagle, employed as clerk for J. J. Kelley, James Clark Jr. and Michael Doyle, employed by the Thorndike Co.

The accident happened in the rear of the Kosmeder home, which is situated on Church street, in the rear of which is a steep bank leading to the Ware river. The boy was playing about the shore with other small children when he ventured out onto the ice. He broke through and was soon struggling in the water, which runs swift and which has been open for some distance in the channel since the recent thaw. The boy's mother saw him in the water and ran to his assistance, only to break through the ice, and was likewise precipitated into the water. The mother caught the boy by the arm as he was floating down stream, having at this time gone under and out of sight for the first time, and was fast floating towards where the current would carry him underneath the ice. Neighbors and others heard her cries, and they in turn called Nagle, Doyle and Clark, all of whom rushed to their assistance.

Nagle was the first to venture onto the ice and he broke through, but finally got hold of the woman, who held onto her son. Clark and Doyle clasped hands, and taking hold of Nagle formed a human chain and pulled the mother and son from the water. They were taken to their home near by, Dr. H. A. Dunphy was called and made them as comfortable as possible, and they are out of danger, having felt no ill effects from their stay in the icy water.

Much credit is given the rescuers, and many are inclined to think they should receive medals for their good work.

WALES.

Mill Will Start Up.

What seems likely to be the most important event in the history of Wales for some time took place last week Thursday, when Eugene E. Redden of Springfield purchased the Dell mill property from the H. A. McFarland estate. Mr. Redden is an experienced manufacturer and will proceed at once to make repairs upon the mill and put it in running order. This factory was erected by Elijah Shaw in 1873 and run by him until 1889, when it was purchased by the Baker Brothers of Stafford Springs, who operated until 1897, when it became the property of Edward J. Loudon of Rochdale. Since that time it has been run, rather intermittently, by Joseph H. Loudon of this town. Mr. Loudon has built quite an addition to the original mill and it will give employment to about 75 people.

Rev. and Mrs. Charles T. Holt spent part of the week in Boston.

Mrs. Lottie Whittemore of Monson has been visiting friends in town.

Mrs. M. Rourke is spending a few days with friends in Springfield and Holyoke.

N. M. Stebbins has returned from Southbridge, where he has been spending the winter.

Miss Ella Hitchcock has returned to school after an absence of several weeks on account of illness.

Joseph Gregory has recovered sufficiently from the serious accident that he met with last fall to be able to get around on crutches.

A. R. Jenks and A. J. Grant of the Hampden County Improvement League were in town Wednesday and gave information about fertilizers and the spraying of fruit trees to those interested.

The body of Clifford Needham, son of Frank Needham of Boston, was brought here from Putnam, Ct., for burial on Laurel Hill on Tuesday. Mr. Needham was a native of this town and spent his boyhood and youth here and in Holland.

The missionary society of the Congregational church met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Martha Loomis on Pleasant street.

FOUND IN OPEN FIELD.

Ludlow Man Nearly Dead From
Exposure Friday.

UNCONSCIOUS, AND CLOTHES FROZEN.

But Will be All Right Soon. Wandered
From Highway at Night and
Fell in River.

Robert Petrie of Ludlow was found unconscious and nearly dead in a meadow owned by W. E. Fay on the Monson side of the river about a mile from Palmer on the road to Monson, Friday morning. He was brought to Palmer and taken to the Wing Memorial Hospital, where he was cared for by Dr. H. C. Cheney. The man was so nearly pulseless that had he remained undiscovered a little longer his life could not have been saved.

Petrie's story was to the effect that he had gone to Monson last Thursday to engage in a checker contest, in which game he was unusually proficient. He became so engrossed in the game that he missed the last electric car to Palmer, and started to walk. In the darkness he got off the highway and finally landed in the river. He managed to reach land, but soon became unconscious from the cold. It was some time later when he was seen by a train crew on the Central Vermont railroad, who notified Deputy Sheriff George A. Bills of Palmer, who went for the man with a wagon, and when he reached him supposed the man was dead. Petrie's clothing was so frozen that it had to be cut off when he reached the hospital, and it was not until later in the day that he was able to tell his story.

Petrie's feet were badly frozen when he was found, and it was feared at first that they would have to be amputated, but that danger is past and he is getting along nicely.

Blasting Doesn't Frighten Deer.

Deer are still to be found in considerable numbers in the vicinity of Brimfield despite the fact that daily blasting is indulged in on the construction of the Grand Trunk railroad, and they appear within a very short distance of the seat of operations. Mr. Butterfield, who has large orchards and has designated persons to look after the same, had two deer killed in one of his enclosed orchards by his orders recently, and William Spooner has killed his sixth deer to date for doing damage to a crop of rye.

HAMPDEN.

Mr. and Mrs. John Valentine entertained the "500" Club at their home Saturday evening.

Mrs. A. G. Corey entertained her sister, Mrs. Edith Baldwin of Pittsfield, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Faulkner of Ferry road celebrated the 30th anniversary of their wedding in their home last evening.

Many are suffering from an epidemic of tonsillitis and grip, which is thought to have been caused by the long spell of damp weather. There are several cases, but none are considered to be dangerous.

Two economic clubs have been formed in the schools, one for boys and one for girls, numbering 12 members in each. The children have been supplied with instruction books and will begin the regular work next month.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Corey entertained a large number of friends at cards Saturday evening, "Set-back" being the game played, Miss Grace M. Pease and M. S. Beebe won first prizes, and Miss Alice May and E. P. Lyons consolation prizes.

Mrs. A. G. Corey entertained the Hampden Equal Suffrage League last Thursday afternoon, which continued the study of the subjects already started and added a new one for consideration, "Woman in the Making of America." The league will meet with Mrs. F. J. Kenworthy next Thursday afternoon.

At a meeting of Hampden Grange last Friday evening the third and fourth degrees were conferred on eight candidates. After the working of the degrees, W. O. Parmenter of Springfield installed the following officers: Worthy master, Charles I. Burleigh; overseer, John J. Flynn; lecturer, Harold W. Ryder; steward, Arthur V. Deane; assistant steward, Ralph Lyons; chaplain, Marcus S. Beebe; treasurer, Charles S. Shute; secretary, Charles N. Whitaker; gatekeeper, Neil Kibbe; Ceres, Mrs. Neil Kibbe; Pomona, Miss Kenia Carew; Flora, Miss Dorothy Kenworthy; lady assistant steward, Miss Mabel Davis; executive committee for three years, Leroy O. Howlett.

Palmer Grange Program.

Topics to be Discussed and Work to be
Done Through Year.

The outline of the work of Palmer Grange for the year has just been issued, and the programs of the meetings for the balance of the year are as follows:

Feb. 12, song by the Grange; paper, "The Life of Lincoln," by Miss Helen Bradway; music, by F. L. Jones; paper, "What are the characteristics of a good citizen and how can we help our young people to become good citizens?" by Mrs. Charles Lanphear; song by Grange; Feb. 26, song by Grange; current events, D. L. Bodfish; discussion, "Which is the more serviceable to a farmer, practical knowledge gained by experience or that knowledge gained from agricultural books and papers?" experience, R. S. Stebbins, book, E. G. Laboutely; reading, Mrs. F. D. Rogers; recitation, Mrs. J. T. Geer; song by Grange.

March 12, song by Grange; conferring degrees, third degree by married women's degree staff, fourth degree by regular officers; inspection; feast committee to be appointed; April 9, song by Grange; paper, "The Care of the Laying Hen," by R. E. Webster; "How to Grow Potatoes," A. M. Walker; "How to Cook Potatoes," Mrs. Herbert Noble; current events, C. W. Carpenter; April 23, neighbors' evening; Sturbridge, Brimfield, Ware and Ware Valley Granges invited; visiting Granges to furnish good of the order; May 14, May basket party; baskets to be furnished by the sisters and purchased by the brothers; recitation, Mrs. B. B. Gilbert; song by Grange; baskets to be sold by J. O. Hamilton; May 28, Patriotic evening in charge of Stephen Clark, Fred I. Collis and F. L. Jones; 15-minute entertainment to be announced.

June 11, song by Grange; spelling match, leaders, Mrs. Benjamin Freeman and John Knight; piano solo, Miss Mae B. Clark; vocal solo, Mrs. Charles Grimston; 15-minute entertainment, committee to be announced; June 25, song by Grange; paper, "The noted women in this country and what they have done," Miss Lula Vaille and Miss Beatrice Belding; music by "Ye Olde Fashioned Choir," Frances Freeman; 15-minute entertainment, committee to be announced; current events, R. E. Cross; July 9, young people's evening, in charge of Miss Mary E. Robbins, Miss Mae B. Clark, Mrs. E. G. Laboutely; July 23, lawn party; Aug. 13, children's evening, in charge of Mrs. S. E. Thayer, Mrs. F. D. Rogers, Mrs. Christian Olsen, Mrs. C. H. Filer; Aug. 27, field day, dinner committee to be announced.

Sept. 10, competitive entertainment, chairman, Miss Ruth Backus; judges, H. A. Tucker of Ware Valley Grange, F. A. Lawrence of Brimfield Grange, and Miss Isabella Chapman of Ludlow Grange; losing patrons to furnish the harvest feast; Sept. 24, competitive entertainment, chairman, Charles E. Robbins; Oct. 8, song by Grange; conferring of degrees; first degree conferred by young men's degree staff, second degree conferred by young women's degree staff; recitation Mrs. G. B. Loux; song, Mrs. Ernest Carpenter; current events, Edward S. Sutcliffe; Oct. 22, conferring of the degrees, third degree conferred by married women's degree staff, fourth degree conferred by regular officers; feast committee to be appointed.

Nov. 12, surprise evening, chairman, Mrs. A. J. Messerschmidt, Mrs. Lena Buffington, C. A. Lanphear and G. B. Loux; Nov. 26, election of officers; Dec. 10, song by Grange; original story by Miss Katherine Smith; paper, "Care of the Dairy Cow," W. M. Tucker; 15-minute entertainment, committee to be announced; current events, I. C. Greene.

Rain and Snow Predominate.

Weather of Past Week Has Shown Wide
Range of Change.

The weather is always a seasonable topic, but the weather of the past week has been decidedly unseasonable—or perhaps all seasonable would be nearer it. The dawn of last Saturday found the ground covered with about an inch of snow. A little later in the day it began to rain, and through the afternoon and evening there was a regular downpour. This changed to snow again late in the evening, and Sunday morning there was about an inch of the flakes which had frozen with the drop in temperature and rendered walking decidedly precarious. Monday there was more snow, or snow and sleet mixed, which resembled dry meal as much as anything to those who had to walk in it. A little rain late in the evening, followed by a drop in the temperature, gave a most excellent surface for sleighing, and runners have been much in evidence since. There was a little sunshine Tuesday, but only a little.

TOWN REPORTS READY.

Some Abstracts From the Facts
And Figures Given.

BALANCE OF OVER \$29,000 ON HAND

Cost of the Poor Increasing. Interesting
Suggestion Anent Additional
School Room.

The reports of the town officers have been printed and will be distributed to the voters Saturday. From them the following abstracts are taken.

The town clerk's report shows that there were 368 births recorded the past year, 149 deaths and 98 marriages. The latter number is unusually small, occasioned by the new law which requires filing of intentions five days before a marriage license can be issued, numerous marriages taking place in other states where this requirement is not in effect.

The selectmen, in their report, intimate that they think 33 sworn weighers—the number appointed last year—more than is necessary, and ask consideration of this suggestion by those interested. Much information regarding various matters is given in condensed form. The junk collecting privileges brought \$500 to the town treasury. The changes at the corner of Main and Church streets cost \$1873, of which the street railway paid \$1100. The discontinuance of the Hastings bridge will require the payment of \$400 damages to P. M. Shearer, on order of the county commissioners. Two claims against the town because of alleged defective highways have been settled for an aggregate of \$175.

The town bookkeeper's account shows the receipts and payments under the various classifications as required by the state's system, and gives the balance on hand December 31 as \$29,634. The indebtedness of the town is \$60,000.

The board of health notes that there are a considerable number of open vaults within the limits of the town on streets where sewers are located, in violation of rule 8 of the board, and suggests that legal means be taken to improve the conditions.

The report of the cemetery commissioners shows trust funds on hand to the amount of \$12,585, an increase of \$450 since last year. The present interest fund is \$211.

The overseers of the poor report the income of the town farm as \$843. They ask for \$10,000 for the support of poor the present year. The expense last year to December 31 was \$8556.

Tax Collector Hawkes reports a balance due on the taxes of 1914 of \$7395, due presumably to the prevalent hard times. A large amount was collected in the last few days of the municipal year.

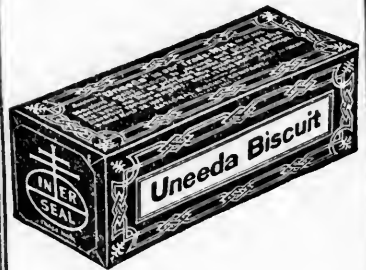
The Young Men's Library Association reports a large increase in circulation during the year, and gives the details by which, under the wills of the late William Ingram and the late Andrew Pinney, the association is some day to receive bequests amounting to \$50,000.

The report of the school committee gives a variety of interesting information. In touching on the need of additional school room in the village of Palmer, for the investigation of which a committee was appointed a year ago, Superintendent of Schools C. H. Hobson has the following which will be of decided interest, touching, as it does, on a need which has long been felt for some place of recreation for the younger portion of the community:

"The town, as well as the schools, is badly in need of a gymnasium. Much for the physical betterment of our pupils could be done that must now be left undone. Few schools are erected nowadays without both an assembly hall and a gymnasium. When a new school is erected in Palmer, these two needs should be supplied. This could be done if, when the next building is erected, it is a new high school. The more study I give to the question of a building in the village of Palmer, the more I am inclined to believe that the best and ultimately less expensive solution of our overcrowded school conditions would be the building of a new high school. If we continue to grow, we shall soon be too large for the present high school facilities. The present building is well adapted for grammar school purposes and could be utilized to take care of our growing elementary school population. Although the initial expenditure would be larger than necessary to meet present needs, nevertheless, I believe that a period of fifteen years will be sufficient to prove its economy. Whatever provision is made, kindly bear this prediction in mind."

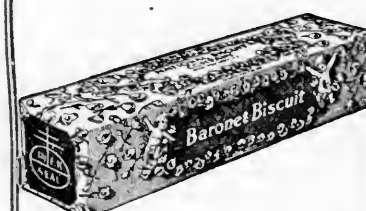
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Boston Letter.

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Republican gubernatorial candidates—The Brown and Walker Removals—Barry's Peculiar Attitude—Woman Suffrage Hearing—Aid for the Unemployed.

Boston, January 25.—Politics develop fast these days. Events less than a week old are ancient history and still the crowd of developments follows fast on the heels of its predecessors. McCall's announcement that he will be Republican candidate for state governor, made unexpectedly early for a Republican nominee, is still too late to accomplish the desired end and Lieut. Gov. Grafton D. Cushing has today come out with the statement that he has had so many requests to run, especially by the younger element of the party, that he is a candidate for the party nomination. He is very fair and flat-footed about it. After the statement had been out long enough to become public property, Cushing was at the state house. He received the congratulations of his friends, who told him that he had courage to come out under such circumstances.

There is no possible doubt about the real issue which this candidacy involves. Cushing runs because he is urged to run by the men who see in his biggest vote of all candidates at the state election a most available candidate, perhaps, for the party. But that vote was distinctly due to the A. P. A. element. His candidacy will raise the question whether that element shall dominate the Republican party. It is doubtless true that the party would lose thousands of votes if such were the case. On the other hand, there is a very strong prejudice on the part of many voters owing to race and religious issues, and there would be a vim and a snap to the campaign which it would lack totally if McCall were a candidate. It would intensify the cleavage between persons and parties on race and religious lines and might be a serious thing for the entire state. McCall's friends hoped that his early candidacy would prevent Cushing from entering the field. It is early for any candidate to declare himself and McCall might have been justified in holding back till later in the season. But the disposition to crowd Cushing to the front and the peril of doing it left no alternative for those who deprecate that kind of politics to force McCall into the field at once.

Democrats are preparing to make most of this declaration of Cushing's candidacy. They know that the A. P. A. element is a source of strength for them and that if they can limit the campaign to that one issue they stand a good chance of winning, as the outlook seems to-day. Hence it is for them to make the most possible of the alleged intolerance and bigotry which would dominate the entire state of Massachusetts.

But what makes it all the brighter for Cushing and all the worse for the Democrats is that Gov. Walsh and the democracy, through him, have been losing ground very much recently. The cases of Walker, Brown and Hall are bothering the Walsh element very much. There has been a hearing to-day before the joint committee on rules on the part of the Legislature to see whether or not they shall have a legislative investigation of the management of the department of loan agencies, of which Brown was supervisor and from which he was removed by Gov. Walsh with great severity, after his term had expired, when he might easily have appointed some other man to office and have permitted Brown to retire quietly to private life without any stigma attached to him.

Lieut. Gov. Barry of the last administration has been on the stand for hours to-day before the committee on rules. His testimony was very strong in defense of Brown, although he said that he audited the letter which Gov. Walsh wrote dismissing Brown and he stood fully by that letter and the policy which it represented. At the same time, he said that he believed that Brown was honest, that there was nothing against him which could have been sent to the district attorney, and that there had been a remarkable lack of effort to secure witnesses. He admitted that a doctor testified that there was mental trouble with the woman who was the principal witness against Brown, but added that the council believed that the doctor lied. There is a mass of testimony relating to detail, but the substance of it was singularly in Brown's favor and it was quite evident, as the hearing progressed, that the committee were entirely in sympathy with Brown. Barry put Gov. Walsh in a bad light with his suggestion to Brown that his case be sent to the district attorney, and the way the governor left the matter showed it was either bluff on his part, or that he consented to leave without prosecution an official whom he thought ought to be prosecuted. There are men who believe that Barry intended to hurt Gov. Walsh by his testimony, in order that the governor may not be a candidate again. Barry is supposed to be a candidate himself, and hence he would like to hurt Walsh.

But the folly of Barry's attitude was very evident to others, if it was not to himself. He justified his approval of the letter condemning Brown, while, at

the same time, he testified regarding his personal opinion of Brown in such a way as to be very favorable. He believed Brown to be honest, although he condemned his judgment in many ways. But that was a matter of difference of opinion. When it came down to the crucial facts, here was a man whom Barry says he believed to be honest whom he helped to kick out of office under suspicions that he was dishonest, for that was the implication in most minds, although Barry denied that the letter was designed to have that interpretation. It is a pretty bad mess for both Barry and Walsh.

So this situation reacts upon the Republican prospects and makes it all the more certain that any Republican candidate, however objectionable, will beat any Democrat, however good. It is believed by some Republican leaders to be quite possible for Cushing, even with his A. P. A. handicap, to beat McCall at the polls and then to beat any Democratic candidate who can be put into the field. It is not believed that the Progressives will have much strength and that most of them will be back in the Republican party by the time the fall campaign comes around. Hence, taking all things together, it is a very lively situation, very early in the season.

The woman suffrage hearing came to-day and the attendance was not nearly as large as usual, comparing this year with the recent years. But the bad weather is fairly chargeable with much of the lack of a crowd and the women may not be held primarily responsible for the loss. Both sides were ready to submit the case to the committee without a vote, but some of the committee wanted to go through the form of a hearing and so each side had one hour. The anti-suffragists were out in force, as well as the suffragettes, and the anti-suffragists to offset the yellow ones supposed to be worn by their opponents. But there was an almost complete absence of yellow emblems.

There is quite possible an investigation coming into the removal of Former Commissioner Walker of the department of animal industry. His friends are hot for his defense. There is also a feeling that the Legislature ought to look into the circumstances of the pardon of Hall, the defaulting Southbridge bank defaulter. If there should be three investigations made by this Legislature, all of them gunning for the Democrats in general and for Gov. Walsh in particular, it would be very likely to go hard with the democracy and with the governor. There is no doubt that the situation is quite different from what it was a year ago, and there is no immediate prospect that it will get any better for the Democrats.

There is a general recognition, as shown by the House debate this afternoon, of the duty of the state to make provision for the unemployed. If this view prevails, it will be quite likely that the Republican must be kept down, but here seems to be a case where humanity is higher than politics. Pending bills appropriate \$250,000, partly from the state and partly from the metropolitan district.

LONDON.

BELCHERTOWN.

Following are the statistics of the births, marriages and deaths for the year 1914: Births, 28; marriages, 20; deaths, 35.

A fire in a closet in the home of Henry McKellop on the Granby road was discovered Sunday morning in time to prevent a serious fire, but considerable damage was done to the interior of the house.

The town warrant contains 40 articles this year, important among which is the one calling for more electric lights and one asking that the road superintendent be elected by ballot instead of being appointed by the selectmen.

Mrs. Viola Shaw, for many years president of the Relief Corps, installed these officers Monday evening: President, Mrs. Hattie Dickinson; senior vice president, Mrs. Evelyn Ward; junior vice president, Mrs. Dewey; chaplain, Mrs. Cora Burnette; treasurer, Mrs. Draper; secretary, Mrs. Hubbard; conductor, Mrs. H. B. Greene; guard, Mrs. Etta Shaw; color bearers, Sarah Lincoln, Alice Hazen, Mrs. Chamberlin, Mrs. Piper.

Following are the Republican nominations for the offices of the town for the ensuing year: Town clerk and treasurer, Fred D. Walker; selectmen, E. A. R. Fairchild, Winslow S. Piper and Frank P. Alden; assessor, Wesley M. Goodell; tax collector, D. F. Shumway; school committee, Dr. Henry W. Elliot; cemetery commissioner, Henry R. Gould; auditor, Wilbur E. Nichols; constables, M. F. Austin, F. M. Fuller, C. A. Marsh, Herbert D. Paine and D. F. Shumway.

WARREN.

Miss Pearl L. Martin and George M. McCall were married last week Wednesday evening in St. Paul's rectory by Rev. John P. McCaughan. Upon their return from a short wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. McCall will make their home on Southbridge street.

The Warren Republican town committee has organized as follows: Chairman, William L. Patrick; secretary, Charles D. Perkins; treasurer, Dr. Edgar Buck. Other members are Carl M. Blair, Herbert N. Shepard, Walter B. Hall and Edmund Chapdelaine. The mock trial in the town hall last

Friday night, under the auspices of the high school assembly, was largely attended and will net the school a large sum. The case was a breach of promise suit for \$10,000 brought by Mrs. Sarah Jennie Elder against Town Clerk William F. Duncan. The verdict of the jury was "Not guilty," with the admonition "not to do it again."

These officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Warren Savings bank corporation Monday afternoon: Clerk, Joseph G. Hastings; trustees, William A. Jenks; Edward Fairbanks; Marcus Burroughs; Isaac E. Moore; Charles B. Blair; Edgar J. Buck; William L. Curtis; George W. Kimball; John M. Drake; Fred W. Kimball; and Joseph G. Hastings; president, William A. Jenks; vice presidents, Edward Fairbanks and Marcus Burroughs; auditors, Charles B. Blair, Isaac E. Moore and George E. Tarbell; board of investment, Marcus Burroughs, Isaac E. Moore, Edward Fairbanks, Edgar J. Buck and Fred W. Kimball.

TOWN WARRANT.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. County of Hampden, ss. Town of Palmer.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Palmer, in said County, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to call a town meeting of the Town of Palmer, qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the following places, to-wit: In Precinct A, at the Engine House on Park street, easterly to Pleasant street, on the southerly side of School street from the grammar school building, in the village of Pleasant street, and on the easterly side of Pleasant street from Pearl street to School street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 2. To see if the town will vote to repair North Main street in the Depot Village from the end of the brick paving near the Post Office block to Shearer's Corner, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain three electric lights on Charles street in the village of Three Rivers between Main street and the property of Joseph Laundry, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 4. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen, in the name of the town, to procure a lease of suitable rooms, to be used as offices for the various officers of the town, for a term not exceeding ten years; to agree upon the provisions of said lease, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see if the town will appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to defray the cost of providing furniture, fixtures and equipment for offices for the various officers of the town, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen, in the name of the town, to procure a lease of suitable rooms, to be used as offices for the various officers of the town, for a term not exceeding ten years; to agree upon the provisions of said lease, or take any other action relative thereto.

Art. 7. To hear and act on the reports of committees.

Art. 8. To choose committees and give them instructions.

Art. 9. To determine the date from which taxes shall bear interest.

Art. 10. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

Art. 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

Art. 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association.

Art. 13. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools, and instruct the School Committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise money for the celebration of Memorial Day.

Art. 15. To see what action the town will take in relation to sewers.

Art. 16. To see what action the town will take regarding lighting the streets and whether it will authorize the selectmen to make contract therefor, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 17. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

Art. 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

Art. 19. To see what action the town will take in regard to sidewalks and curbing.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages, authorize the selectmen to make rules and regulations for the government, and appropriate money for the same or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims now pending against the town.

Art. 22. To see if the town will make provision for reimbursing the police officers for expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 23. To see if the town will appropriate money for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths and elm tree beetles.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the repair and maintenance of the clock located in the Universalist Church tower, in the Depot Village, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300.00 for insurance and maintenance of the town fire truck for the ensuing year, or see what action it will take relative thereto.

Art. 26. To see if the town will appropriate money for defraying the town's share of the support of the District Court.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the highway leading from the village of Bondsville to the village of Thordike at the point of intersection of said highway with the Belchertown Road, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on Thordike street in the Depot Village at a point near the residence of John Lewis, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the highway leading from the village of Bondsville to the village of Thordike at the point of intersection of said highway with the Belchertown Road, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to construct an ash sidewalk on High street in the village of Bondsville from State street to the top of Mitchell Hill, so-called, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to resurface the Main street road in the village of Bondsville from its intersection with Depot street, to its intersection with Maple street, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the easterly side of Holbrook street in the Depot Village, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to rebuild the culvert across the Gates brook on the Depot street near the depot, and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to install curbing and raise the sidewalks on the following streets in the Depot Village, namely: On the southerly side of Church street from the residence of Mrs. W. Leach easterly to Pleasant street; on the southerly side of School street from the grammar school building, in the village of Pleasant street, and on the easterly side of Pleasant street from Pearl street to School street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to repair Thordike street from the top of Cemetery Hill, so-called, near the village of Thordike, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to repair North Main street in the Depot Village from the end of the brick paving near the Post Office block to Shearer's Corner, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to construct a far sidewalk on the westerly side of Pleasant street in the village of Three Rivers from the first publication of this warrant to the holding of said meeting.

Art. 38. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen, in the name of the town, to procure a lease of suitable rooms, to be used as offices for the various officers of the town, for a term not exceeding ten years; to agree upon the provisions of said lease, or take any other action relative thereto.

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The February Sale of Furniture

The Annual Event That Brings to the Homes of Western
New England the Opportunity to Save Thousands of Dollars

THIS great saving has been brought about only by the most diligent use of our powerful and far-reaching buying facilities. Our buyers have searched the markets for unusual values and have secured from many of the most reliable makers special lots which will be offered at prices that in many cases barely cover the cost of production. In addition to these lots, thousands of dollars' worth of Furniture from our own fine stock has been marked at equally great reductions. Our efforts have resulted in the greatest February FURNITURE SALE in our history.

In This Sale Your Dollar Has Greater Buying Power Than It Ever Had Before

It is impossible within the limits of this advertisement to mention more than a small part of the remarkable offerings. You will find, however, ample assortments of furniture for every room in the house, at generous savings from our usual lowest-in-the-city prices.

Handsome Davenports

Fine large pieces, covered in tapestry, well upholstered, with plenty of spring, copies of old English designs, regular prices \$85 and \$95, February Sale Price, **\$64.50**

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Solid Mahogany, an excellent Colonial design, with four posts, full size, value \$32.50, **\$19.50**

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Full size, made in two parts, covered with selected art ticking, regular price \$18. February Sale, **\$12.50**

The Famous "RED CROSS" Silk Floss Mattress

As fine a mattress as it is possible to make, full size, in two parts, with imperial edge, a \$25 Mattress for **\$17.50**
"Red Cross" Silk Floss Mattress with plain edge, two parts, sold elsewhere for \$19. Our special Price **\$12.50**

Fine Down Pillows

Splendid Pillows with the very best of ticks, size 22x28—just 50 pairs, worth \$6.50 pair, special at **\$4.75**
\$2 Quality Pillows at \$1.25 a Pr.
Good, clean feathers, put up in "Gold Medal" ticking, size 20x27 inches, worth \$2 a pair, special at **\$1.25**

These Savings on Bedroom Suits Cannot Wisely Be Overlooked

\$195.00 Suit—bed, dresser and chiffonier—ball top post design, solid mahogany, a splendid bargain at **\$124.50**
\$187.50 3-piece Suit, extra large, Colonial design with heavy octagonal pillars, 4-post bed, at **\$123.50**
\$276.00 4-piece Adam Suit, bed, dresser, toilet table and chiffonier, a very handsome Suit, at **\$219.50**
\$178.00 Dresser and Chiffonier, extra large, solid mahogany, pattern plate, French leg, swell front, the two pieces for **\$124.50**
\$142.50 3-piece Suit, bed, dresser and chiffonier, a very handsome design with fluted posts, at **\$116.50**
\$131.50 Colonial Post Suit with large mirror, 3-pieces for **\$114.50**
\$105.50 Dresser and Chiffonier, of solid mahogany, Adam design, the two pieces for **\$74.50**
\$118.00 Circassian Walnut Suit, three pieces, bed, dresser and chiffonier, at **\$81.50**
\$125.00 Circassian Walnut 4-piece Suit, cane inset, a very handsome dresser, chiffonier, bed and triple toilet, at **\$97.50**
\$26.50 Circassian Walnut Dresser, at **\$18.50**
\$23.75 Circassian Walnut Chiffonier, at **\$17.50**
\$27.50 Circassian Walnut Toilet Table, at **\$17.50**
\$44.50 Oak Toilet Table, with triple mirror, at **\$33.50**
\$27.75 Oak Toilet Table, large mirror, at **\$18.50**
\$27.75 Golden Oak Princess Dresser with large mirror, at **\$17.50**
\$20.50 Golden Oak Princess Dresser, oval mirror, at **\$14 50**

One Hundred Brass Beds

**\$21 and \$24.50
Qualities at \$15.50**

Every bed fully guaranteed. We buy only the best, and our immense buying power enables us to sell at prices that cannot be matched for equal qualities.

Another Lot of 25 Brass Beds That Will Go at **18.50**
Sell Regularly for \$27.50 to \$37.50,

These quantities will not last long. We advise immediate selection.

One Solid Carload of Hastings Dining Tables

This is the table that gives satisfaction—the table with the Tyden lock—built of selected matched oak, and the workmanship throughout as fine as you find in any furniture made. The same care is used on the lower priced as on the higher priced tables.

February Sale Leader No. 1	February Sale Leader No. 2	February Sale Leader No. 3
Selected quartered oak tables, 48-inch top, Tyden lock, six-foot extension, your choice of four different bases—a \$25 table—for this lot only \$17.75	A 44-inch top table, exactly the same grade as the No. 1 leader, simply the top a size smaller—a \$22.50 table—for this lot only \$16.75	Your choice of six selected patterns of Hastings tables, 48-inch top 8-foot extension, best quartered white oak—a \$37.50 table—for this lot \$26.75

Big Values in Buffets

\$42.50 Mahogany Buffets, Sheraton design, at \$33.00	\$42.50 Buffets, light fumed finish, at \$35.00
\$72 Mahogany Buffets, Colonial design, at \$65.00	\$47.50 Quartered Oak Buffets, straight line design, at \$38.00
\$91.50 Mahogany Buffets, Colonial design, at \$75.00	\$42.50 Quartered Oak Buffets, Colonial style at \$35.00
\$37.50 Mahogany Buffets, Colonial design at \$24.75	\$37.50 Quartered Oak Buffets, Colonial style at \$28.00
\$35.00 Buffets, light fumed finish, at \$27.50	\$52.75 Quartered Oak Buffets, claw foot, at \$39.50

Mission Library Tables

**Fumed Oak—Selected Stock—the
Workmanship Remarkably Good**

This is one of the big offerings of this most unusual low price sale. These Tables have drawer tops, some with book ends and underselves. Handsome pieces for any home.

\$14 Tables, \$15 Tables, 16.50 Tables, 17.50 Tables, 18.50 Tables
\$8.89 9.89 10.89 11.89 12.89

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Folding Card Tables

Lightweight Tables, felt top, handy for playing cards and a hundred uses about the house. Sold regularly at **\$1.65**
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Great Overstuffed Lounging Chairs

Covered with very handsome tapestries—worth every bit of \$35, at **24.75**

Fine Mahogany Newport Rockers

A solid mahogany high-back Rocker, made on honor, one of the old-fashioned sort that gives solid comfort, **11.98**
\$16.50 value, at

French Walnut Reed Chairs and Rockers

Upholstered in very pretty cretonne, regular price **8.98**
\$12.50, each, at

Chinese Tiffin Tables

One of those quaint Folding Tables you can see pictured in the dainty scenes of Chinese life, special at **1.98**

Colonial Pillar Tables

Solid mahogany, 28-inch round top. A fine reproduction, value \$16.50, at **11.75**

A Few of the February Sale Values in Parlor Suits

3-piece Suits, of solid mahogany, handsome silk damask covering, value \$100.00, February Sale Price, **\$67.50**
3-piece Suits, solid mahogany, covered in very expensive Japanese figured tapestry, the frames handsomely carved, value \$145.00 February Sale Price, **87.50**
4-piece Sheraton Inlaid Suit—a dainty covering makes this a particularly choice one—value \$125.00, February Sale Price, **74.50**
4-piece English Oak Suits, with tapestry covering, divan, two chairs and rocker—value \$86.00, February Sale Price, **61.50**
3-piece Fumed Oak Suits, with tapestry covers and two extra pillows, value \$105.00, February Sale Price, **69.50**
3-piece Mahogany Chippendale Suits, value \$95.00, February Sale Price, **54.50**
3-piece Suits, of English oak, with cane seats and backs, value \$50.00, February Sale Price, **34.50**
4-piece Adam Suits, in mahogany, value \$75.00, February Sale Price, **57.50**
3-piece Leather-Covered Suits—divan, rocker and chair—value \$125.00, February Sale Price, **74.50**
3-piece Colonial Suits, panel backs of crotched mahogany, value \$65.00, February Sale Price, **47.50**

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 1915.

So Col. Goetting of Springfield is to try again for the nomination for lieutenant governor. It is an honorable ambition and he is admirably fitted for the place. We admire his courage in making a third try, and hope that this time it is "Three times and in."

ABOUT as farcial a proposition as could well be imagined is the appearance of Jack Rose of the Becker murder trial fame as a "Character" witness for Sullivan, the Dominican minister whose official conduct is under investigation, and yet that is what was seriously done by the defense last week.

A CALIFORNIA judge gave a youth a choice of ten years in prison or reading the Bible 30 days in the county jail. Of course the boy took the latter. But its big odds that the good he'll get from the reading under the conditions will be of a negligible quantity, and that he'll never look inside a Bible again as long as he lives if he can help it.

The heavy rains of the past week have brought much peace of mind in numerous localities where the public water supply had become seriously depleted by reason of the long-continued drought. The local water company, whose reservoir was getting alarmingly low, now has an ample supply on hand. The rains also brought great relief to many farmers who had for weeks been compelled to carry water long distances for domestic purposes and for their stock.

EVANGELIST Billy Sunday, who is just now working Philadelphia, takes frequent opportunity to tell his audiences how rotten New York is. Which might be construed as a foxy scheme on his part to get an engagement in New York later, except that he is reported as "signed up" full until 1917. But perhaps he is hoping that by that time New York will awake to its need of his services, with the accompanying quid pro quo on the city's part, of course.

THERE is little doubt but that the announcement this week of the candidacy of McCall and Cushing for the Republican nomination for governor next fall is the forerunner of a fight which is going to leave a lot of bitterness behind when it is all over and the result determined. There should be no room in Massachusetts for a race or religion campaign, and the man who makes a running on such a basis—or allows his friends to make one for him—is sure to lose the respect and support of a whole lot of the better element among the voters.

THE establishment of telephonic conversation from the Atlantic to the Pacific this week marks an important step in the extension of this wonderful social convenience and business necessity. It also brings to mind the comparatively short time since the introduction of the instrument, and the wonder with which the first long-distance services—of 100, then 200 and 300 miles—were received. That one could talk such distances and actually recognize voices seemed almost beyond belief. The Boston-San Francisco rate is \$20.70 for three minutes; but what is that compared to a saving of two weeks in time and the attendant traveling expenses if one has really important business?

High School Hears About Carpets.
The high school was adjourned at noon last Friday to listen to a talk by Harrie M. Howe, manager of the carpet mill, on the making of carpets. Mr. Howe gave an extensive and comprehensive description of the manufacture of carpets from ancient to modern times, describing particularly the sanitary methods in the Whittall mills in Palmer and Worcester. All processes were explained, from the receiving of the material through the sorting and blending, combing, spinning, etc., to the finished product. Mr. Howe also gave a description of the New York office of the company, the advertising department, the printing plant in the Palmer mill, and a description of the most popular rugs. He also gave a brief outline of the life and achievements of Mr. Whittall. The talk was illustrated by stereopticon, but unfortunately the hall could not be darkened sufficiently to bring out the beautiful colorings of some of the slides to advantage.

PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Nice Dry Hard Wood, any length, delivered to order. Phone William C. Moulton, 129-2, Monson.

Death of Mrs. Grover Goodes.

End Came Suddenly of Heart Failure in Springfield Thursday.

Mrs. Grover C. Goodes, 23, died suddenly in Springfield on Thursday afternoon of last week of heart trouble while preparing for an X-ray examination in a physician's office. Mrs. Goodes had heart trouble about two years ago, and recently had a recurrence of the affliction. She had been under observation by a Springfield physician for a time, and on Thursday of last week, with her husband, had gone for another examination. This was partially completed and she was preparing for another X-ray photograph when she suddenly expired in the arms of the nurse who was with her. Medical Examiner E. J. Mahoney of Springfield pronounced death due to pulmonary embolus. An attempt was made to revive her with the aid of a pulmotor, but without avail.

The body was brought back to Palmer, and funeral services were held at the house, 568 North Main street, Sunday afternoon. Rev. Otto S. Raspe officiated and Miss Blanche Upham sang. Burial was in Oak Knoll cemetery. There were many beautiful floral offerings.

Mrs. Goodes was, before her marriage to Mr. Goodes in May, 1913, Miss Esther Sandberg of Southbridge. Besides her husband she leaves a daughter three months old, and a brother, Henry Sandberg, in Providence, R. I.

To Tell of the Navajo Indians.

The Palmer Historical Society will hold its next meeting in the reference room of the public library on Tuesday evening of next week at 7.30 o'clock sharp. Mrs. W. H. Fuller will read a paper on the Navajo Indians of Ship Rock Agency in New Mexico; and the paper will be illustrated with photographs and handicraft of the Indians. Mrs. Fuller has visited the Indians of this agency and writes of things she has seen. The paper will be of much interest and will deserve a good attendance. The public is cordially invited to be present.

Pastor Reads Resignation.

Rev. Otto S. Raspe, who has been pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church for about four years, read his resignation at the morning service last Sunday, to take effect March 1st, with the privilege, if desired, of supplying the pulpit during February. Mr. Raspe has accepted a call to the united parishes of Brunswick and Freeport, Maine.

Polls Will Close at 3.30 Monday.

Voters are reminded that in the annual town election next Monday the polls will be closed at 3.30 in the afternoon. It has been the custom heretofore to make the warrant read that the polls "may" be closed at 3.30; this year the selectmen have caused it to read that the polls "will" be closed at 3.30, so that all who desire to vote will do well to be on hand before that time.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Holden and Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Holbrook spent the week-end in Boston.

George French of Meriden, Ct., was a week-end visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Lee of Central street.

The ladies of the First Congregational church of Thorndike will serve a turkey supper on the evening of February 10.

Wiseman court, Catholic Order of Foresters, will hold an initiation of officers in Odd Fellows Hall next Sunday afternoon at 2.30.

Miss Bella Falardo of Indian Orchard and William Arecotte of New Haven, Ct., spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lism Arecotte of Park street.

The pupit of the Advent church will be supplied Sunday by Rev. H. L. Hunt of Springfield. Sunday school will be at 2 in the afternoon, with preaching at 3, and 7 in the evening.

The ladies of the Congregational church will give an entertainment, consisting of a farce and music, in the church parlors next Wednesday evening. Ice cream and cake will be for sale.

Miss Frances Chandler of Squier street is home from Mount Holyoke College after the mid-years' examinations, for a few days. She is accompanied by her roommate, Miss Margaret James of Philadelphia.

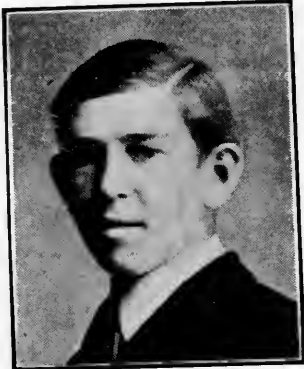
Earl Morgan held the first of a course of six dancing lessons in the Quabog Country Club house at North Monson last night. He had a fairly good attendance and all seemed to spend an enjoyable evening.

The directors of the Association for District Nursing, at a meeting in the home of Mrs. Ellen S. Leach of Church street Monday afternoon, devoted to allow the district nurse to accompany a physician on a paid out-of-town call provided it did not conflict with her regular duties. Such calls have not been permissible in the past, although the need has arisen at times. Now the nurse will be available in emergency cases.

Palmer Boy Awarded Humane Medal.

George McDonald, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. McDonald of Park street, has been awarded a medal by the Massachusetts Humane Society for his act of bravery in saving life at Forest Lake last summer. He went to Boston last Saturday to spend the week-end with his brother William, who is a student at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and brought the medal back with him.

Young McDonald's act was of an unusual character. Frank Lombard



of Brimfield, had fallen out of a canoe and was unable to help himself. McDonald started to his assistance from a considerable distance but was seized by the drowning man when he reached him. He managed to break the hold however and taking Lombard by the hair swam into shallow water, although he was himself nearly exhausted when he reached a point where aid could be given him.

Lawrence Block Changes Hands.

The Lawrence block on Main street, near the bridge over the railroad tracks, has been bought by T. J. Chalk of Philadelphia, formerly of Palmer. The transaction has not been fully completed, as the property is owned by St. Paul's Universalist church, which will meet next Monday evening to pass the formal vote necessary to the transfer. F. L. Jones has the contract to repair the building, which was damaged by fire a few weeks ago. It is reported that several others have been prospective purchasers of the property within a short time. Report has it also that there were others than A. W. Holbrook who wished to purchase from the E. Brown estate the Main street land which he acquired after the recent fire.

Grover C. Goodes of North Main street is spending a few days with friends in Providence, R. I.

The Woman's Tuesday Club will meet next Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Gamwell of Foster street.

Miss Agnes Landry of Springfield spent the week-end at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. Micott of Pearl street.

The Kwik Ur Wurry Klub held its weekly meeting at the home of Miss Mildred Edmonds on Maple street last evening.

There will be a whist party in the Quabog Country Club house next Monday evening at 8, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cushman, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Jackson, Miss W. Cook and A. R. Brown.

Five vagrants were arraigned in the district court last Saturday morning. Two were allowed to go and three sent up for 30 days each.

John Foley and Leo Jones of Worcester and Mrs. Nellie Curley of Springfield were guests of Mrs. Patrick Connor of Pearl street Sunday.

There will be a meeting of the Society for District Nursing next Monday afternoon at 3.15 o'clock with Mrs. W. W. Leach of Church street.

Teams from Palmer council, Knights of Columbus, and Division 15, A. O. H. are to play a series of five basketball games, the dates of which have not yet been fixed. They will be played in Union Hall, Thorndike.

S. W. Lyon & Co., who have for years conducted a plumbing business in the Lawrence block, have taken the east store in the Holden block, recently occupied as a millinery establishment, and will move as soon as the necessary alterations can be made.

The Couhonelo Campfire girls held their first ceremonial meeting last Saturday evening at the home of Mrs. H. G. Loomis. Honors were awarded to several girls, and Myrtle McVickar of Bondsville was admitted to membership.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy Scouts met in the Congregational church Tuesday evening. The boys decided to elect a look-out committee with Richard Jones as chairman, and to take up the study of first aid and out-door life. After discussing the business of the meeting, the boys adjourned to the basement and passed the rest of the evening in wrestling and playing games.

The women of Palmer are cordially invited to attend a meeting to be held in the Bungalow in Monson next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, under the auspices of the Massachusetts Association Opposed to the Further Extension of Suffrage to Women. The principal speaker will be Mrs. Henry Preston White of Brookline, and it is possible that Miss Dorothy Godfrey, one of the secretaries of the association, will also be present. The invitation includes all interested in either side of the suffrage question.

Blasting is a Nuisance.

Citizens will be Glad When Southern N. E. Road is Done.

All through the summer citizens have been annoyed by the heavy blasting being done in the construction of the Southern New England railroad along the line between West Brimfield and Brimfield, particularly that in the immediate vicinity of Fosket's Mills. The charges exploded there have been terrific and numerous. Batteries of a dozen or more at a time have been nothing unusual. Particularly annoying was the blasting on early Sunday mornings in the latter part of the summer. Buildings were shaken in this village, and many people really frightened. This week there have been set off some of the heaviest charges of any since the work began. On Tuesday a window in one house in this village was broken by the shock, which was plainly felt in many buildings, and in other houses plastering has been so loosened that it sifted down from walls and ceilings. Protests are to be made to the contractor, in an effort to get less violent explosions, even if there are more of them.

Town Reports Out Saturday.

Selectmen Adopt a New Scheme for Distributing the Books.

The town reports have been printed and are ready for distribution, and voters may obtain them at any time after 8 o'clock Saturday morning. The selectmen have adopted a new method of distribution this year, and will not mail them, as formerly. By this means many were wasted, some families receiving as many as four copies. The books are to be taken to the several villages and left at a central point, where any voter who cares enough for a copy to call for it may obtain one. The check list will be used and the voter's name marked off as he gets a report. These lists will then be taken to the polls on Monday, and any voter whose name is not checked may secure a copy of the report when he goes to vote. The books may be found Saturday at the following places: Palmer, store of W. A. Clark on Main street; Thorndike, store of Mrs. Katherine Loftus; Three Rivers, Keith's drug store; Bondsville, store of Charles D. Holden.

Leslie Cameron, a student at the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, is home for a short vacation.

A regular convocation of Hampden Royal Arch chapter of Masons will be held next Monday evening, and a special convocation Wednesday evening.

The name of Gertrude O'Connor, grade 4, Palmer grammar school, was inadvertently omitted last week from the list of perfect in attendance for last term.

Dr. Everett Flood, superintendent of the Monson State Hospital, will give a talk to the members of the Royal Arcanum next Tuesday evening in Masonic Hall.

Elmer G. Childs, agent of the Boston Duck Co. at Bondsville, and Alice L. Thompson of Cambridge were married in Brookfield to-day by Rev. L. L. Beeman.

The Mission Circle of St. Paul's church will meet with Mrs. E. C. Gould of Holbrook street next Tuesday evening at 7.30. The watchword will be "Loyalty."

There will be two shows at the opera house this evening, at 7 and 8.20, with "Arizona," a 6-reel Western picture as the feature. There are 210 scenes in the piece, and 150 people are represented.

Paul Ezekiel, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Ezekiel of North Main street, who is employed by the Ley Construction Company of Springfield, has gone to Salem on one of the company's contracts.

A few friends of Mrs. Michael Murphy of State avenue surprised her at her home last evening, the occasion being her birthday. Mrs. Murphy was presented with a silver serving tray. Games were played and refreshments served.

The annual guest night of the Palmer Woman's Club will be held on Friday evening of next week. The committee in charge is Mrs. Lillian Norman, Mrs. Blanche Rathbone, Mrs. Hattie Parker, Mrs. Harriet R. Tabor, Mrs. Elizabeth Loy.

All the Difference.

The youngster was reading a newspaper. Looking up, he said: "Aldermen are called city fathers, aren't they, pa?"

"Yes, my son."

"Well, what's the difference between them and other fathers?"

"The difference is very similar. As a general thing the sons run in debt, and their fathers have to pay, but the city fathers contract debts and their sons have to pay. That's the difference, my son."—Stray Stories.

Touching.

Jack—That young Simperly seems such a fragile fellow I should hesitate to touch him for fear he would break.

Sam—He wouldn't hesitate about touching you if he was broke.—London Telegraph.

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Others at 9c
GOOD STABLE LANTERNS 19c
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Card.—We wish in this manner to express our heartfelt appreciation of the many deeds of kindness and words of sympathy extended to us in our recent bereavement.

Grover C. Goodes.
Henry Sandberg.
Palmer, January 26, 1915.

TENEMENTS TO RENT.
G. E. BUCK, Palmer.

WANTED—Housework of any kind by the day.

FOUND—A White Female Shepherd Dog. D. F. SHEA, Bondsville, Mass.

FOR SALE—Grade Berkshire Pigs and Shoats.

WANTED—Hens, calves, and cows. Will pay good price. Notify by postal card.

FOR SALE—Good Cook Stove, Art Square.

FOR SALE—About 15 tons Upland Hay.

FOR SALE—Franklin Typewriter. In good running order; for sale at a bargain.

WANTED—Stenography, bookkeeping, or general office work; 6 years' experience; best of references. Address:

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High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden. '15

The basketball team will play the Easthampton High School Friday in Easthampton.

Leslie Cameron '14, now of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, is at home for a short visit.

Marion Davis '15, and Edythe Twiss '15, were absent the latter part of last week on account of illness.

During the week-end the front upper corridor and the drawing room received a needed coat of varnish.

The girls held basketball practice Monday and Wednesday afternoons in Cerele Canadian Hall, Three Rivers.

The statement made last week that the physics recitations had been lengthened to two periods was an error.

The recitations cover only one period.

The editorial board of the Palmer had their pictures taken last Friday at Woodhead's studio. The picture is to appear in the next number of the Palmer.

The David Prouty High School of Spencer has invited Palmer High to debate. Palmer will accept the invitation and arrangements will be made in the near future.

By some oversight the names of John Luman '17, and Rubie Jones '15, were omitted from the list of names of those who have been neither absent nor tardy since school began.

Mr. Hurley has taken the upstairs tenement in Mr. Woodhead's house on Squier street, and will shortly make his home there. His nephew and niece from West Warren will live with him.

Myrtle McVickar is dramatizing a short story entitled "The Soldier's Reprieve," which will be given by members of the Sophomore class at the February assembly. Miss Wyman will assign parts to-morrow.

The boys held basketball practice in Union Hall Monday afternoon but omitted it yesterday on account of last night's game with the Holyoke High Seconds. Many new candidates for the team have been appearing recently.

Last Thursday Mary Sullivan P. G., and Rubie Jones '15, went to Springfield to enter the Remington typewriter contest, but were unable to compete as they had failed to take machines with them. The girls plan to enter the next contest and to go provided with typewriters.

The last of the mid-year's examinations except one were held to-day. The examinations covered two hours each and all the week there have been only two periods a day. Students have not been required to attend school when they had no examinations, so many have had welcome holidays.

To-morrow Miss Wyman will give the four-year English class their mid-year examinations in spelling.

The cast for the Senior Play, "The Private Secretary," has been selected and rehearsals have begun. The play will be given a week from to-night in the opera house at 8.15. A matinee will be given at 3.30 for the benefit of school children. The prices will be, for the evening 35 and 50 cents, and for the afternoon 10 cents. The roles will be assumed by the following: "Mr. Spaulding, the Private Secretary," Raymond Holden '15; "Mr. Cattermole," John Sullivan '15; "Douglas Cattermole," his nephew, Merrick Hellyar '15; "Mr. Marsland," John Healey '15; "Harry Marsland," Wilfred Lyon '15; "Gibson," a tailor, George McDonald '15; "John," a servant, Edward O'Connor '15; "Miss Edith Marsland," Dorothy Buck '15; "Miss Eva Webster," Louise Miller '15; "Mrs. Stead," Rose Riddle '15; "Miss Ashford," Mary Sullivan '15.

Last week Wednesday evening the basketball team was nosed out of a victory by two points by the Smith Trade School in Northampton. The game was close throughout, and the outcome was always uncertain. Both teams played well and were quite evenly matched. The Palms put up a good fight with Albion, the star basket shooter. Hood featured for Smith School. The Palms showed much better form than the last time they visited Northampton. The lineup:

Palmer High. Smith School. Lyon, Magee, 11 r b, McCollum, Rust, Wood. Albion, r b, Cogswell, Brozman, c. 1 b, C. Martin, r b. 1 l, Sullivan. Keefe, 1 b. R. F. Hood.

Score: Smith School 28, Palmer 26; baskets from floor, Hood 6, Sullivan 6, Curtin, McCollum, Albion 4, Lyon, Brozman, Martin 2; Magee; baskets on free tries, Albion 8; free tries missed, Albion 2. Referee, Dismore; timers, Cole and Barry. Time, twenty minute halves.

Last Friday night in Union Hall, Thorndike, the basketball team showed its best form of the season. The boys were all in good trim and played a good fast game, completely outclassing their opponents, the Stafford College. The boys are getting the passing game, which is the whole secret of a successful basketball team, down fine.

The visitors had no chance from the very start. Monat and Albion featured for Palmer, while Mullins featured for the visitors. The Palmer boys played a much better game the second half than the first, which seems to be a habit, as they are slow getting started.

In a preliminary game, the Hillside A. C. Seconds defeated the High School

Seconds by a score of 11 to 8. The lineup for the main game was as follows:

Palmer High. Stafford High. Magee, Lyon, Hughes, 11. r b, Carry. Albion, r b, Griffith, Fletcher. Monat, c. 1 b, C. Martin, r b. Keefe, 1 b. 1 l, Mullins. R. F. Hood.

Score: Palmer 40, Stafford 39; baskets from floor, Albion 4, Lyon 3, Martin 2, Magee, Hughes, Mullins, Murray Fletcher; baskets on free tries, Albion 8, Mullins 3; free tries missed, Albion 4, Mullins. Referee, Banister; timer, Gorham; time, 15-minute halves. Attendance, 200.

Delayed "Last Moments."
In the battle of Friedland, on June 14, 1807, there was a young lieutenant in Napoleon's army named Schramm.

When the victorious general was riding over the battlefield that evening he came upon the eighteen-year-old officer lying on the ground mortally wounded and weeping bitterly.

"Why do you weep?" asked Napoleon as he rode by.

"Because I must die before I can become a captain," the youth complained.

The words of the dying lieutenant softened the emperor's heart. "My son, I shall gladly fulfill your wish," he said. "I hereby advance you to the rank of captain."

The unexpected promotion actually saved the boy's life. He recovered. Later on he fought most valiantly for the cause of Napoleon, and by the time of the battle of Waterloo he had already become a general. He outlived his "last moments" on the field of Friedland by more than seventy years.

Embarrassing.
In South Africa General French earned the title of "the shirt sleeved general." Mr. Chisholm says in "Sir John French." General French was often to be seen walking about in camp in shirt sleeves. One afternoon a correspondent rode up to the lines and, seeing a soldier sitting on a bundle of hay smoking a dilapidated looking old briar pipe, asked where the general was.

"The old man is somewhere about," coolly replied the soldier.

"Well, just hold my horse while I go and search for him."

"Certainly, sir," and the smoker rose obediently and took the briar.

"Can you tell me where the general is?" inquired the correspondent of a staff officer farther down the line.

"General French? Oh, he's somewhere about. Why, there he is, holding that horse's head."

And the officer pointed directly to the smoker, still tranquilly pulling at his pipe and holding the horse.

City of Magnificent Distances.
When the government was moved to Washington in 1800 it was far from being a satisfactory place of residence. The city was laid out in the wilderness. They "took to the woods" for a capital city. It was the first time that a government had actually gone into the wilds and selected a site for a capital and laid out its city on a well defined plan. As beautiful as we consider Washington today, the minister from Portugal, the Abbe Correa, who was considered one of the greatest wits of his time and who in 1816 called it "the city of magnificent distances," so named it purely in derision. In that day there was little but distance in the city. As late as 1842 Charles Dickens, after his visit, wrote that "its streets begin in nothing and lead nowhere."—Frederick L. Fishback in National Magazine.

Sikh's Disk of Death.
Sikh soldiers can certainly claim to possess a unique form of weapon. This is a hand thrown missile composed of metal similar in shape to the discus, familiar in Roman history. Its edge is sharpened like a razor, and the weapon, when thrown with a peculiar circular motion, has extraordinary penetrating power. It cuts like a knife through paper when it strikes any object in its path.

At a distance of a hundred yards the disk is capable of cutting its way through a piece of hard wood two inches thick. It is the peculiar twist given to the weapon when it is thrown which causes the cutting edge to bury itself so remorselessly in anything that it meets. It is doubtful whether any but the Sikhs could effectively use this unique weapon.

Broad Brimmed Hats.
Toward the end of the thirteenth century big broad brimmed hats were fashionable in Austria. They were of such huge dimensions that a face under one of them could not be recognized. A poem written by Johannes Hadlaub expresses disgust with the style and the hope that the hats might be consigned to the Danube "so that the pretty faces of our women might once more become visible."

Appropriately Named.
"What do you call your bulldog?" the visitor asked the farmer.

"Nabs."

"A curious name for a dog. Why do you call him that?"

"Wait until a tramp comes along and I'll show you."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Strictly Business.
He—Do you expect to carry out the promise you have made to marry me? She—Well, as I look at the matter, I have taken an option on you, but I feel I have a right to surrender it in the event that a better opportunity offers.

—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Poor Fido!
Knicker—Do they lead a cat and dog life? Bocker—Yes; only the dog is muzzled.—Exchange.

Monroe's Inauguration.
The first inauguration of a president to take place out of doors was that of James Monroe in 1817.

The Claimant

By EUNICE BLAKE

On the estate of Lucien Marivaud, in France, lived a poor man named Soubise and his wife, Marie, the couple having a little son, Francois. M. Marivaud had extensive vineyards, from the product of which he manufactured wine. Soubise had charge of the grape growing, and Marivaud not only valued his services highly, but was very fond of him. Soubise's wife died, and he soon followed her, leaving little Francois without a home.

M. Marivaud had a son, Victor, about Francois' age. When the latter was left an orphan he was taken to the chateau and became a playmate of Victor. There was a brother of Victor, Louis, much younger than either of these two boys.

When Victor was eighteen he entered the military school and became an army officer. Upon graduating he was ordered to join his regiment in Tonkin. Francois was anxious to see service and, enlisting in the same regiment, went out with Victor, who agreed to interest himself in his promotion that he might become an officer.

A year later after a fight Lieutenant Marivaud was reported missing. This meant that he had fallen into the hands of the Chinese, in which case it was quite likely that he

Thorndike Three Rivers Bondsville

Many items of interest from
these busy villages.

THORNDIKE.

Mrs. A. P. Adams entertained friends from out of town at her home on Commercial street.

Mrs. Peter Foster of West Springfield has been a guest of her brother, Louis La Valley, the past week.

Thorndike Loyal Order of Moose are to give a social and dance in Union Hall the 12th of February.

Charles Duane Fuller is able to be out of doors again after a confinement of seven weeks on account of a dislocated ankle.

Miss Eunice Maloney of Fiskdale and Miss Quirk of Ware were guests of Miss Mildred Loftus the last of the week for a few days.

Miss Minnie O'Connor and brother Daniel of South Hadley Falls were guests of their sister, Mrs. K. T. Loftus, during the past week.

John Tobin of New York, Thomas Murphy of Springfield, and others were guests of Mrs. Annie Murphy of High street on Sunday.

Joseph Woieck is to open a pool room in John Murphy's building on Commercial street, recently occupied by the Thorndike Pharmacy.

F. G. Hobbs, who has been station agent at the B. and A. railroad for some time, has resigned and has left town. His place is being filled by Mr. Farley of Warren.

Myre Brooks, who conducts a store on Commercial street, is to move his household goods to this place and will occupy a tenement in Mrs. E. M. Shiels' block on Church street.

The annual town election which comes next Monday is causing some hustling among those who are interested in the candidates for license commissioners.

The basketball game Saturday night at Union Hall between Bondsville and Belchertown was largely attended, and a very close and hotly-contested game was won by the Bondsville team by one point.

Dr. and Mrs. H. A. Dunphy celebrated their sixth marriage anniversary at their home on Main street a few evenings ago. A number of friends from out of town called upon them, giving them a surprise visit. The evening was passed in a very pleasant manner.

Arthur Curtis, well known in town, has enlisted in the Canadian army and when last heard from was in France waiting to be called to the fighting line. Young Curtis, in his letters to his uncle, George LaDuke of this place, portrays all the horrors of war as seen by one on the inside, and his letters are very interesting.

THREE RIVERS.

Charles Ruggles has returned from a visit with his family in Quincy.

Miss Marion Labelle was the recent guest of her brother in Leominster.

William Chambers is suffering from a sprained ankle, sustained while skating.

Mrs. P. C. Daley has been ill the past few days at her home on Springfield street.

David Hubert of Pleasant street is slowly recovering from his recent severe illness.

Miss May Hubbard of Front street has been entertaining out-of-town friends the past week.

Mrs. Ellen Bumps has returned to her home on Main street after a stay of a few weeks in Lowell.

The number enrolled in the night schools is slowly increasing, and has been reported to be over 100.

A number from here went to the Auditorium in Springfield Sunday to hear Secretary of State Bryan speak.

A basketball game was held last evening in Cerele Canadian Hall between the Three Rivers Firemen and a Palmer team.

George Barber and son of Worcester were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Barber of Main street, Sunday.

Mrs. Bert Doyle and daughter Amy of Worcester spent the last of the week at the home of Mrs. B. Foley of Springfield street.

Doane Smith and Raymond Richardson, both of Springfield, were guests of Peter Manzer at the Riverside Hotel Sunday.

The pupils of the ninth grade held a candy sale in the corridor yesterday afternoon to obtain money with which to purchase a new flag.

Chester Tannebrink of Tufts Dental College was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tannebrink of Springfield street.

Miss Alice Clark of Thorndike has resigned her position as organist at the U. E. church and is succeeded by Miss Alice Turkington of Anderson avenue.

Miss Alice Turkington has returned to Smith College after spending the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turkington of Anderson avenue.

The fourth of the course of entertainments given by the Men's League will be held in Pickering Hall next Monday evening, a lecture given by Peter MacQueen, the subject being "The Great European War." It will be illustrated by pictures.

BONDSDVILLE.

Charles Billings is spending a few days in Chicopee Falls.

Paul Martin of Springfield spent Sunday at the parsonage.

Fred Pratt has returned from a visit with his sister in Nashua, N. H.

Rev. T. C. Martin spent a few days this week in East Longmeadow.

William Albro of Springfield spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Daniel Clifford of Worcester was a guest Monday of his sister, Miss Katherine Clifford.

Daniel Quirk of Ware was a guest Monday of his grandmother, Mrs. Catherine McCarthy.

Mrs. James Smith of Ware was a guest Thursday of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Donovan.

Misses Catherine and Helen Glover and Raymond Glover spent Sunday with relatives in Palmer.

Mrs. George Bray of Stafford, Ct., spent a few days this week with her daughter, Mrs. Charles D. Holden.

Miss Beatrice Bond of Springfield has returned to her home after a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Mary Woods of Ludow road and Adolph Girouard, a former resident here, have filed intentions of marriage.

Mrs. Frank Lamb and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Canterbury attended the installation of the Rebekahs in Chicopee Falls Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Peck and Mrs. James Peck of Belchertown were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Morse, as was also Rowland McFarlane of Chicopee.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Charron entertained on Sunday George Snoy of Springfield, Emile Lavigne of Aldenville, Misses Victoria, Anna and Delia Matthieu and their brother Stanislas of Chicopee.

Charles H. Collis, George J. Gunn and Edward Sharratt went to the meeting of the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., at Springfield Tuesday night in Grand Union Hall, where they took the Past Grand degree.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Emerson J. Loy. These ladies will serve: Mrs. William Taylor, Mrs. Lucas Welch, Mrs. Charles Banister, Mrs. Arthur Billings, Mrs. Charles Collis.

Rev. Emmanuel Charron of Brookfield occupied the pulpit of the M. E. church Sunday morning, taking for his subject "Our Father which art in Heaven." In the evening a good audience listened to a very pleasing lecture by the same speaker. Rev. T. C. Martin occupied the pulpit of Rev. Mr. Charron.

At a meeting of "Ye Old Boys" Friday evening it was voted to serve a supper Tuesday, February 16. The following committee of arrangements was chosen: V. C. Faunce, C. H. Banister, Geo. C. Moulton; entertainment, Charles Sharratt, Burton Rose, Fred Collis, Jr., Robert Hutton; solicitors, William Morse, Clayton Cole.

Charles S. Hastings, a former brakeman on the Athol branch of the Boston and Albany railroad, and for many years a resident in this vicinity, was sentenced in the superior court in Worcester to serve from six to eight years in state prison on a plea of guilty of arson in Athol. Hastings confessed to setting fire to the Athol freight office of the Boston and Albany railroad, which did little damage. He was also charged with setting other fires, the most important being the fire in the factory of the Eagle Furniture Company of Athol on June 2, 1914, which did \$10,000 damage, and also in the same place on November 6, which caused a property loss of \$10,000.

The Emergency Ration.

The emergency ration tastes better than it sounds, and to its composition has gone as much thought as in the choice of a rifle. The conditions it has to fulfill are many and onerous. First, its food value must be high, for it has not only to keep a soldier alive, but in good fighting trim. It must be palatable, hot or cold, light in weight and must not deteriorate under any conditions of service or climate for two years. The British emergency ration has a basis of chocolate with an admixture of some milk protein; it weighs six ounces and will keep a man going well for thirty-six hours.—London Spectator.

Mining Under the Ocean.

Mining for tin under the sea is common enough in Cornwall, where the veins are followed for a considerable distance under the waters of the stern coast, but Cornwall is fairly equalled by Chile, which, instead of producing tin, yields large quantities of coal. On Coronet bay are located some of the best coal mines in Chile, and as the seams extend beneath the bay and give evidence of continuing far out into the ocean, coal mining is thus carried on at a good depth beneath the harbor. So impervious to water is the overhead rock that the underground workings are dry and clean. Modern equipment is used, and electric power is supplied at a low rate.

She Admired Bravery

By F. A. MITCHEL

It was in the late autumn. Edith and I were walking in the woods kicking up the dead leaves, for there were only a few left on the trees. We were both young, I twenty-two, Edith eighteen. I was sweet on Edith, and when a man of that age is sweet on a girl the first idea that enters his head is that she can only love a heroic personage who combines every manly attribute. When a man of forty gets sweet on a woman he fears that she won't consider that he has money enough to make it worth her while to marry him.

While Edith and I were walking along to the pleasant sound of the kicked leaves I was thinking about how many virtues I must possess to win her. It was in wartime, and I naturally supposed that military glory would count for a good deal.

"We're getting quite a number of instances of bravery from this war in Europe," I remarked.

"Yes," she replied, "they're splendid. Just think of a young girl not yet thirty years old, with the life of a nobleman before him, giving his life for his country."

"Would you like to be the widow of such a man?"

"I would grieve for him, but I would glory in having had such a husband."

This was not encouraging for me, a man of peace. It was some time before I tried to find out any more of those traits I did not possess, the absence of which would induce Edith to turn me down.

"I read an account some time ago," I said, "of a Belgian soldier who was placed in front of a company of Germans who were attacking his countrymen. Seeing him, the Belgians lowered their rifles. 'Fire!' he cried. 'For heaven's sake, fire!' A volley swept the Belgians and the Germans away together."

"What a noble sacrifice!" exclaimed Edith fervently.

"Do you suppose," I said, "that if you had been that Belgian's wife and a witness of the scene and his countrymen had looked to you to approve his order to fire you could have made the sacrifice yourself?"

This was a poser. Edith made no reply for quite a while; then she said that she would have preferred to compromise by having them fire on her. I was not disposed to let her out in this way and persisted in having a direct answer, whereupon she said that she was afraid the test would be too much for her. She might be able to make the sacrifice and she might not. Of one thing she was certain. Her heart would be buried with that noble Belgian.

It was apparent to me that to win Edith I must do something heroic.

"Do you know," I said, "I have concluded that this war is a struggle between reaction and progress. I consider it the duty of America to join in it on the side of progress."

"So do I," was the prompt reply.

"What is true of a nation is true of one of its individual citizens."

"What do you mean?"

"That it is my duty to fight for the world's progress. I'm going abroad to enlist."

Edith looked grave.

"Don't you think it my duty?"

"No; I don't."

"Why not? Haven't you agreed with me that it is our duty as a nation to fight on the side of progress, and what is the duty of a nation is the duty of its individual citizens?"

"Yes; I suppose so. But I think it would be very foolish for you to go all the way over there to get yourself shot."

I looked down sideways at Edith. The idea of my making myself food for powder evidently troubled her.

"I said next week."

There was no comment on this for a while. Presently Edith asked me in a faltering voice why I had said nothing of this before. I was some time framing my answer. When it came I spoke in a choked voice:

"Because I dread a parting."

"With whom?" She kept her eyes bent on the ground.

"You," I faltered.

I went on to tell her that I loved her, and she confessed that my love was returned.

"How hard for us to part," I said, "on the eve of our betrothal!"

"We will not part," she said firmly. "My duty calls."

"What duty?"

"To progress, civilization, the cause of freedom."

"Let it call."

"I might have an opportunity to die one of those noble deaths we have been talking about."

"You'll do no such thing. You'll stay at home."

"But think how proud you will be of your soldier lover."

"I don't want a soldier lover."

"Must I go unsupported by the knowledge that you are willing to sacrifice?"

"You'll not go at all."

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The Country Newspaper.
I am ashamed to say that I had entertained a good humored tolerance, mingled with contempt, for country newspapers. They seemed to me the apotheosis of the little, the palladium of the uninteresting.
It did not occur to me that anything possessed of such tenacity of life as the country newspaper must have a real meaning and perform a genuine function in our civilization. In this roaring age of efficiency we do not long support any institution that does not set its claws deep into our common life—and hang on.—David Grayson in American Magazine.

Acute Pleasure.

Wife (returning from matinee)—Oh, it was too lovely. She had on a pale green silk, with bands of passementerie down the front and the grandest diamonds you ever saw, and when she died, in the last act, she rolled over four times, and every woman in the house was crying. I never enjoyed a play so much in my life.—Puck.

Her Nice Little Plan.

He—I don't believe your father will give his consent. I haven't got much, you know. She—That doesn't matter. The first month we can live on love. The second I'll begin to borrow things from mamma and about the third papa will get tired of it and come to the rescue.—London Telegraph.

Nice Neighbors.

"Tough neighborhood I live in. People steal everything I leave in my shed."
"Why don't you put a padlock on the door?"
"I put on a fine one, and somebody got it the first night!"—Kansas City Journal.

The Remedy.

Aviator—I don't know the air currents up there. Friend—Then why not take a minister up with you? Aviator—A minister? Friend—Yes. Isn't he a sky pilot?—Baltimore American.

Something to Forget.

The man who knows all about women should forget it if he values his own peace of mind.—Atlanta Journal.

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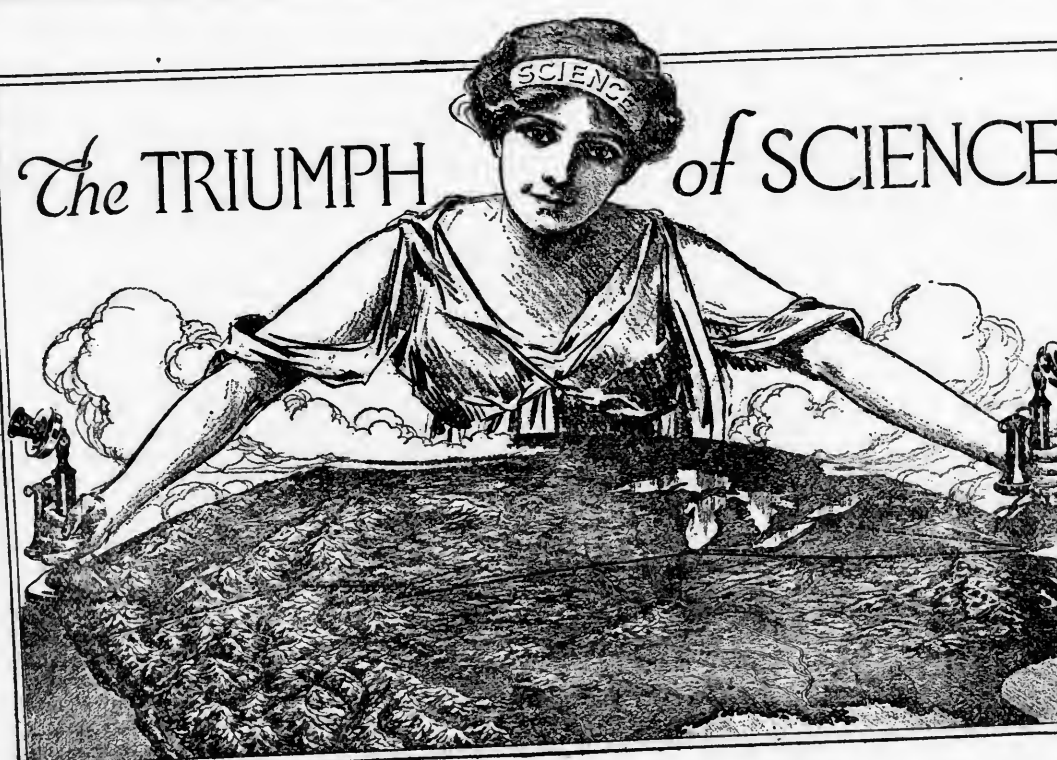
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Monson News.

Town Warrant is Posted.

Several Articles Which Are of More Than Usual Interest.

The town warrant was posted Monday and contains 23 articles. In addition to the usual articles pertaining to routine matters in the administration of town affairs, there are five articles of special interest: To see if the town will vote a sum of money to reimburse P. M. Shearer for damages done to his land by the closing of the old red bridge near the wire mill and the Palmer line and opening the new straightened highway. Mr. Shearer claimed damages because ready access to farm land of his was cut off when the old road was closed. The county commissioners ruled that the town of Palmer pay \$240 and Monson \$100. The article is a request that this sum be appropriated.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to install electric street lights from North Monson to a point near the Maloney farm on the Palmer road. Each new light means permanent additional expense of \$18 per year, and there are no more houses on the strip of road named or any more people using the highway than on several other roads leading out of the village where no lights are now standing.

Article 23 requests that a sum of \$1000 be paid Mrs. Katherine Hodge for the loss of her husband, Eugene Hodge, who died recently from causes alleged to have resulted from injuries received while serving the town as a fireman at the burning of W. N. Flynt & Sons' store in January, 1914.

Article 19 is to see if the town will discontinue the practice of insuring the rural schoolhouses. There are 12 of these buildings which are insured annually, the premiums for the 12 costing between \$75 and \$100. They have stood many years without being burned and the fire hazard is small. If one building was accidentally burned the saving in insurance premiums in a few years would replace it. The school committee, rather than assume the responsibility of discontinuing the insurance, asks the voters' decision. It appears to be a money-saving proposition.

Article 19 is to see if the town will vote to purchase the power spraying outfit used for spraying the shade trees last spring. This outfit, bought by a private individual and loaned to the town, did very effective work with much saving in expense and labor. Every town needs some sort of a spraying outfit, and the opportunity to purchase one which has been effectively demonstrated is one which should be taken up.

Will Give "Enoch Arden"

Under the auspices of The King's Daughters, Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock in Memorial Hall, Mrs. Addie Chase Smith, dramatic reader of Springfield, will render Tennyson's "Enoch Arden" with musical accompaniment, followed by humorous selections. Mrs. Smith is a graduate of noted institutions. She has been a student of famous New York and Boston schools, but she brings to her work far more than the training of schools—the training of wide experience and travel. She toured the country for seven years under the management of the noted Redpath Lyceum Bureau of Boston, the Central Lyceum of Rochester and Chicago, and others. Her range of presentation is very wide, from the light and gay to splendidly appreciative renderings of great scenes in history and literature and the interpretation of humanity's profoundest experiences. Bringing to her work, as she does, the indispensable training of, real life, she is a reader of great insight and power. The public is cordially invited. Reserved seats can be checked off at Broadway's newsroom after 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Sherman M. Stebbins a Candidate.

Nomination papers were circulated Thursday morning for Sherman M. Stebbins as a candidate for selectman, and his entrance into the contest has brought out all sorts of speculations and conjectures. Mr. Stebbins has been selectman before, once securing the office on nomination papers. It is figured he will draw votes away from Frank R. Sutcliffe, although it is a question whether he can run strong enough to displace him. Considerable canvassing has been going on this week by all candidates for selectman's position.

Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Osborne are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son.

R. T. Entwistle has returned from several days' visit with friends in Lowell and Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Dewing attended the marriage of Mr. Dewing's sister in Tariffville, Ct., Saturday.

Mrs. William Dann and daughter Marion of Providence spent the week-end with Mrs. J. C. Hale.

John L. Moran has been ill for the past week with blood poisoning in his left hand and arm, resulting from a slight cut. H. M. Barlow has been taking his place at Rogers & Co's.

Appropriation Meeting Feb. 8.

There has been some question regarding the appropriation meeting, which will be held Monday, Feb. 8th. The warrant posted Monday calls a town meeting for Monday Feb. 1st and also calls for action on 23 articles. The first of these articles is to choose the officers of the town by ballot, and there is nothing indicating that all articles are to be considered next Monday. Last year by a two-thirds majority vote the date for the annual election was set as the first Monday in February, and at that time it was voted to hold the appropriation meeting one week later, but because no provision is made in the warrant for the appropriation meeting, it will be necessary to put and pass a motion to adjourn for one week to consider the appropriation articles. The polls for balloting will open at 5.45 a. m., and may remain open until 3 o'clock p. m. Election officers are: R. H. Cushman, A. P. Stewart, David Meany, George L. Holdridge, H. T. Moulton, E. F. Murphy, Omer E. Bradway.

Working For More Macadam Road.

Selectman H. M. Smith attended a meeting of 50 selectmen and citizens of Hampden county at the rooms of the Hampden County Improvement League in Springfield Saturday, where the new roads problem was discussed. On motion of H. A. Moses, a committee of five were chosen from the league directors to take up the fight for new roads in Hampden county before the Legislature. Mr. Smith is working hard to get funds to build a macadam road from South Monson to the Stafford line, which is much needed.

Entertainment Date Changed.

The date for the entertainment to be given by the Village Improvement Society will be February 16th and not the 12th as originally stated. The 12th being Lincoln's birthday, was first talked of but was found impractical, and the performance will be staged the 16th. The affair, starting as it does a campaign to raise funds for a district nurse, will be well received by all classes of Monson people.

Mrs. Charles T. Blood of Mossmild, N. J., is visiting Mrs. R. H. Cushman. Day Spring Lodge, A. F. and A. M., held its regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Orrin Pratt was called to Worcester last Friday to attend the funeral of his uncle, Louis Richards.

Fourteen new names have been added to the voting list by the registrars in three meetings.

S. F. Cushman of Boston spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cushman of Main street.

Miss Martha A. Ink of Cushman Hall, who has been ill for the past few days with neuralgia, is recovering.

Dr. E. W. Capen operated on the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Morse Wednesday morning, removing tonsils and adenoids.

The Monson basketball association team will play a quintet from Ware in Memorial Hall this evening at 8 o'clock.

Wiseman court, Catholic Order of Foresters, will hold its annual installation of officers in Palmer Sunday afternoon.

Several Monson men attended a meeting of the Past Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows in Springfield Tuesday evening.

Twenty-five friends of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Falkins gave them a surprise party at their home on Pease avenue Monday evening.

Shaw & Ricketts are again running their plant on an extra hours schedule, the product being army uniform goods for the Russian government.

Prof. Robt. A. Sprague of the Massachusetts Agricultural College of Amherst spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. John Clark.

E. Talmadge Root, secretary of the Massachusetts Federation of Churches, conducted a union service in the Methodist church Sunday evening.

William Charles of Philadelphia, who has been making Monson his headquarters while traveling in Massachusetts, has gone to New York for several weeks' stay. Mr. Charles while in Monson stopped with his sister, Mrs. F. P. Holdridge.

The funeral of Adam Burleigh, 59, who died at his home in Silver Street Saturday morning following a brief illness with heart trouble, was held in Silver Street chapel Monday afternoon at 1.30, Rev. H. G. Alley officiating. Burial was in the Sodom cemetery.

There will be a meeting in the Bungalow next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, when Mrs. Henry Preston White of Brookline, an officer in the Association Opposed to the Further Extension of Suffrage to Women, will speak on the work of the association.

It is possible that Miss Dorothy Godfrey, one of the secretaries of the association, will also be present and speak.

A cordial invitation to attend the meeting is extended to all women in the community, irrespective of their views on suffrage, and a large attendance is hoped for.

Charles Buckley, formerly chef at the Monson House, has opened a lunch room in E. J. Hughes' block next door to Broadway's news room.

The Social and Literary Club of the Universalist church, which was to hold a meeting this evening, has been postponed until Thursday evening of next week.

Past Commander F. N. Wood installed the officers of Marcus Keep post, G. A. R., for 1915 at a meeting of the post in Memorial Hall Monday evening.

Miss Lillian Meacham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Meacham, recently graduated from Madame Leo's school New York city as valedictorian of her class.

George Pero, who has been seriously ill with appendicitis, at the Hampden Hospital, where he was operated on, returned to his home on Harrison avenue yesterday.

The Dorcas society met with Mrs. B. P. Anderson on High street yesterday afternoon. Dr. Mary Burnham of Springfield spoke before the ladies on the work of the International College of Springfield.

There will be a whist party at the Quaboag Country Club house next Monday evening, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cushman, Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Jackson, Miss W. W. Cooke and Andrew R. Brown.

The Monson pool team, which defeated a team from Thorndike at Purcell's pool rooms last Friday night, play a return game at Thorndike tomorrow evening. Faulkner Osborne, Brouillette, Battle and Neville will represent Monson.

William Brouillette, manager of the Roderick motion picture house, has resigned his position to accept a similar one in Worcester. H. J. Richards, who has been acting as operator and formerly as manager, will again assume charge of the local house.

Parents of children 5 years of age or older who are not attending school will be given an opportunity to start their children in the 1st primary grade Monday, February 1st, the regular mid-year entrance date. All children entering the schools at that time must be vaccinated.

Jacob Smohler, trader in live stock and poultry, who lives on the Hampden road, was badly bruised and suffered a dislocated shoulder in a run-away accident on the Hampden road road last Thursday afternoon. He was taken to the Springfield Hospital for treatment, and returned to his home yesterday.

Monson Academy defeated Connecticut Literary Institute in a fast game of basket ball at Holmes Gymnasium yesterday afternoon by a score of 37-19. The Monson boys have a fast team and are having fine success. Pittsfield High is booked for Saturday and the Massachusetts Agricultural College Freshmen for Feb. 6.

A horse belonging to J. Frank Beck and harnessed to a light sleigh became frightened on Pease avenue yesterday morning. The animal ran up the avenue, turned in behind the residence of Bert Bliss, and freed itself from the sleigh but became tangled in the fence and was caught. The harness and sleigh were badly damaged.

G. C. Flynt is tearing down the last of the old tenement houses on the east side of the North Monson pond, and it is stated he will repair the broken dam and flood the pond partially. The tenement house being dismantled is one of the last of the settlement of houses occupied for many years by operatives of the North Monson mill, and dates back several generations.

Supt. F. A. Wheeler and several friends attended a lecture in the Hitchcock Free Academy in Brimfield Saturday evening. Rufus P. Stimson on the work and its value of the vocational agricultural schools of Massachusetts. Mr. Stimson's lecture was illustrated with a set of slides which are to be sent to the San Francisco exposition by the State Board of Education. Mr. Stimson, who is agent for the State Board, was a Monson boy, being born in Tray Hollow.

The story of the white slaves of New York's Chinatown and the attempts to rescue young girls from "cadets" will be related at the Bungalow next Monday afternoon by Miss Rose Livingston, a New York social worker. The meeting will be open to women only, and besides Miss Livingston there will be an address by Mrs. Myron B. Vorce of Cleveland, Ohio, a forceful speaker on social problems. Miss Livingston is known as the "Angel of Chinatown" for her splendid work the past seven years among the unfortunate victims of commercialized vice. During the course of her investigations she has been brutally attacked and suffered broken bones and multiple injuries, besides which she lives under constant threats of death. Her story is intensely interesting, and as the meeting is open and free to women, should attract a large number.

WARE.

Solomon Shain, who was arrested in Worcester Saturday on complaint of Chief B. W. Buckley, was tried in the district court Monday morning on the charge of selling leased property, and a fine of \$50 was imposed by Judge Davis. Mr. Shain bought a horse in Springfield on the installment plan and sold it in Gilbertville, representing that it was free from incumbrance.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushey.)

The Sophomores are planning a social in the chapel for Friday night.

Roy Harper, J. R. Moore and Joseph Field spent the day in Springfield Saturday.

Carlyle Graham of Watertown, N. Y., has enrolled as a sophomore at Monson academy.

The girls' Gym class under Miss H. Mildred Holden met in Holmes Gymnasium Tuesday night.

The boarding boys enjoyed a sort of small athletic and social carnival in Holmes Gymnasium Saturday night. Basketball races, bowling, tumbling, dancing and other sports were indulged in.

Lino met at Morris House Thursday night and discussed "Milton and the Miltonic Period of Literature." Interesting and comprehensive papers by Hill and Flood, with supplementary notes by Englehart, were read.

The Junior class held a meeting early in the week and decided that, instead of limiting the "Prom" to the school alone, they would grant to each Junior and senior the privilege of inviting one guest. The date set is February 5, immediately after the mid-year examinations.

The Varsity team was not even hurried in its game with the Middletown High team Saturday afternoon. Capt. Inglehart had his "eye" with him when it came to shooting fouls, getting six out of eight tries. Martin was very strong in pass work, and Cushman and Leahy reeled off some good team work. Wenzel, McCarthy and Squier played their usual steady game. Line-up:

Monson. McCarthy, Leahy, H. rg. Blumer, Alford Cushman, Inglehart, rt. H. H. Keefe Wenzel, McCarthy, Inglehart, c. c. Keefe Martin, lg. H. Alford, Murphy Squier, rg. H. Alford, Murphy

Score, Monson 44, Middletown; referee, Fuller of Westleyan; timer, Faulkner of Monson; time, 20-minute halves.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The gold-headed cane presented by the Boston Post to the oldest man in town has been given to Jerome Pease, 85. The former owner of the cane was the late C. H. Gates.

At a meeting of several young women in the home of Miss Katherine Cutler of Maple street Tuesday evening plans were discussed for the forming of a circle of Camp Fire Girls.

A small wooden building near the underpass owned by the Collins estate was destroyed by fire early Tuesday morning. The loss, amounting to about \$400, is covered by insurance. The fire is thought to have been set.

George Rindge celebrated his 54th birthday last Friday and in the evening was surprised by about 35 friends, who passed a very pleasant evening with him, leaving him an arm chair as a souvenir of their respect and esteem.

The funeral of Adin Burleigh, who died Saturday morning after an illness of about a year, was held Monday afternoon in Silver Street chapel, and burial was in the East Wilbraham cemetery. Mr. Burleigh was born in 1858 and spent most of his life in this and surrounding towns. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. John Davis, and a brother, Olin Burleigh, both of Red Bridge.

WILBRAHAM.

The Grange will present the three-act comedy, "The Time of His Life," in Grange Hall to-morrow night.

The following program was carried out by the Grange last evening, when P. of H. night was observed: Roll call, quotations from the ritual; "Legislation Favored by the Grange in the Past," E. C. Clark; "Legislation Favored by the Grange for the Future," F. A. Bodurtha; "Current Events Concerning Grange Activities," Mrs. Bertha Rice; reading, Mrs. Hitchcock; household topic, "With Nothing Cooked or Baked How Would You Prepare a Meal for an Unexpected Guest?" Mrs. F. A. Gurney, Mrs. F. A. Bodurtha and Mrs. Moseley.

One Danger.

"Have you fastened the windows, dear?" she asked as they were about to retire for the night.

"No. What's the use? I gave you the last dollar I had to buy that new hat, and we needn't fear burglars."

"But they might sit down on the hat, you know."—Washington Post.

Badly Aimed.

"Blinks always hits the nail on the head."

"Yes, but usually he drives it into the wrong place."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Recognized.

She—The waiter is hanging around as though he expected something. He—Oh, yes; he's a typical waiter.—Providence Journal.

The crosses which we make for ourselves by overanxiety about the future are certainly not heaven sent.

He Was Acquainted.

The visitor to the links at Hayseed-on-the-Mud had had the oldest caddy in the district allotted to him as his beast of burden.

"Well," said the visitor, "as you have been living in the neighborhood so many years I suppose you know all the ins and outs of this place?"

"Oh, yes, sir—at least, I am quite familiar with the inns," replied the caddy.—London Telegraph.

CUPID AT SEA

By OSCAR COX

Rufus Willard when eighteen decided to leave the paternal nest. Instead of remaining in the city of his birth or going elsewhere in the United States he decided to take a longer flight. He sailed for South America and, not content with remaining on the eastern coast, passed southward, through the strait and up to Chile. There he became engaged in business, and there was every prospect that he would make that country his permanent home.

A man settling in a far distant land is not likely to feel at home with the people there and naturally longs for his old associates. After a sojourn of a few years in Chile Willard thought that if he had a wife—one from his native land—he would be better contented. He remembered one Leona Andrews, a very pretty girl, that he had formerly been "sweet" on, and it occurred to him to write a correspondence with her with a view to marriage.

Miss Andrews replied to his letter, and he wrote again, the correspondence growing sweeter and sweeter till he made a proposal by letter, which was accepted. The young lady realized that it would be difficult as well as inconvenient for him to return to America to marry her and consented to go to Chile for the wedding. This was a very satisfactory arrangement, and Willard was happy over the prospect. He bought a house, furnished it and made all essential arrangements for his bride's reception.

Miss Andrews wrote him of the steamer on which she would go to Chile, the date of her departure and the date of her probable arrival. Willard counted the days till she should come and his loneliness would be ended. He had made a number of good friends among the Chileans, and they had volunteered to do all in their power to make the lady's residence among them a happy one.

One Monday afternoon the ship on which Miss Andrews was coming was announced to arrive the next morning. Willard made arrangements for a simple noon wedding to take place on the day of his bride's arrival, to which a few friends were invited.

When the steamer arrived Willard was on the dock, looking up to see his fiancée. He saw her standing beside a gentleman, and when she caught his eye, instead of greeting him with a happy smile, she looked embarrassed. Running aboard, among the first to do so, he joined the lady, who introduced him to the gentleman beside her:

"My husband."

The voyage had been a long one. She had met a fascinating man, and the two had concluded that the most satisfactory solution of the problem would be for them to be married before their arrival in Chile. Willard would accept the inevitable without unnecessary prolonged torture.

Thus ends the first part of this story. The second part is in this wise:

Willard in order to recover from the shock bethought himself of another girl at home who might like a husband even if he did bring her to a distant land and entered upon another correspondence with marriage in view. He was equally successful in this case as the other, and it was not six months after his mishap before he was engaged again.

A great deal of sympathy had been enlisted for him in his disappointment, and his friends were much pleased to hear that, after all, he was to be made happy. He announced that this time he would go for his bride and bring her back with him. A sea voyage was a poor place for constancy when there was temptation at hand. He had suffered once from this cause, and he did not propose to take the rub a second time.

Willard in order to get away for so long a time was obliged to take in a partner. This he did. And when all was running smoothly he set sail for the United States with the blessings of many friends showered upon him. The women said nothing as to his former matrimonial experience, but the men shouted to him from the dock, "Don't trust her on deck without you," "Be aware of the captain if he is good looking" and other such innuendoes upon the constancy of woman.

In due time Willard returned with his bride. Now that he was married innuendoes would be in bad taste, and it was agreed that they should not be made. But owing to the groom's previous mortifying episode every effort was made by the Chileans to give him and his bride a good sendoff. When the ship came in Willard was seen standing on deck beside a Chilean young lady who had sailed for the United States on the same vessel that Willard had taken when he went to be married. He was the color of a boiled lobster. He descended the gangway with the Chilean lady and, on being greeted somewhat wonderingly, introduced her as his wife.

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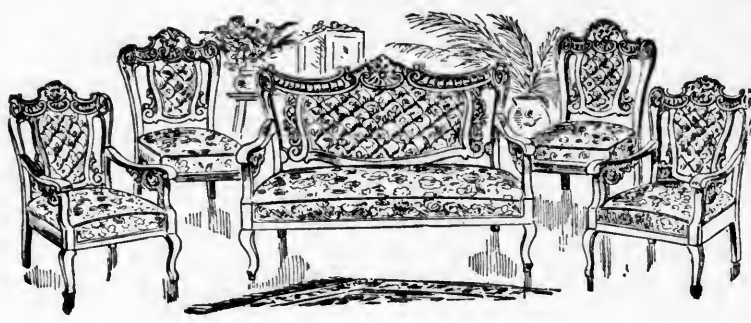
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Romance Versus Matter of Fact

By OSCAR COX

There is a little Indian girl up on Hudson bay who has never been out of her native woods. She speaks poetically, as all aborigines do. Her vocabulary is small, but she makes up for the deficiency of words in imagery. One summer Miss Susan Jones, a matter of fact young woman as ever trod the soil, took it into her head to spend her vacation in upper Canada. These two met in the Indian girl's home on the banks of the Little Whale river. Miss Jones said she had heard much of Indian legends and asked— "I didn't get the girl's name; Miss Jones said it was Minne-Something-or-Other—to tell her one. Thereupon the Indian told the following story:

"Abasca was the daughter of a great chief, who lived long, long ago when the first white man came to this country. She had never seen any man except a—"

"Indian," suggested Miss Jones. "She had only seen the dusky men of the forest like herself. The first man to come was tall as the young pine, straight as the arrow and his eye was that of the eagle. Abasca saw him, and her heart flew to him like the bird."

"A case of love at first sight, you mean?" "Abasca was loved by Stormwind, the son of a chief. Stormwind was brave as the water that leaps from the rock, and his arrow could pierce the leaf that trembles at the top of the tree."

"A regular William Tell," Miss Jones interrupted.

"He had not the heart to give way to another. He was not born to know that to love Abasca truly he should give her to the man she loved. The white man might do that, not the Indian. Stormwind learned that she had given her heart to the white man, and he resolved that the white man should die."

"Stormwind made this vow at the season when in this country the lamp never goes out at night."

"Did they use kerosene or oil?"

"For the winter had passed when the sun at midday is small and cold in the south. The white man was in the wood where he hunted the fox and the mink and the otter. Stormwind followed the trail and came to his enemy when the sun stood high above their heads."

"Trapper," said Stormwind.

"What a funny name! I like Stormwind much better."

"The white man may come; the white man may hunt the fox and the mink and the otter; he may ride in his boat over the waves of the great bay, but he shall not take the maiden from the Indian."

"When he said this Stormwind fitted an arrow to his bow. It may be he had never seen the white man's rifle; it may be he had never seen the white man raise the rifle quickly to his shoulder and the deer flew away drop dead. Before he had fitted his arrow to his bow and pointed it at his enemy the white man's eye ran along the barrel of his weapon."

"Trapper had the drop on him, hadn't he? How thrilling! Go on!"

"Stormwind," he said, "put back your arrow into your quiver before I send the lead into your heart. Abasca is yours. I do not wed here in the forest. The white man loves the white woman, not the Indian squaw."

"From the woods came a piercing shriek. The white man lowered his rifle and the red man his bow. It was a woman's voice they heard. From a cliff near by it came again, fainter, but more despairing than before. It was the echo."

"For heaven's sake, what was it? A spook?"

"It was the wail of Abasca. She had seen Stormwind go away with the look of an angry Manitou on his brow, and she knew that he was going to fight the man she loved. Seizing a rifle from the tepee, she followed her dusky lover and saw him when he spoke to—"

"Trapper."

"She held her rifle to her shoulder ready when Stormwind was about to send his arrow to his rival's heart or when the white man raised his rifle to kill the man she did not love."

"She must have been awfully rattled."

"When she heard the white man say he did not love her she dropped her rifle, giving a cry that caused the white cloud sailing in the heavens above to tremble."

"I wonder she hadn't shot the brute."

"Then the white man and the Indian went in the direction from whence the sound came and saw on a high rock the form of Abasca. She was on the edge of a deep gulf beneath her, swaying here and there as the branch is moved by the wind. Then slowly her head bowed over the chasm, and as the bird folds its wings and drops her beautiful form descended to death."

"You wouldn't catch me doing that for the handsomest man that ever lived. What did the men do then?"

"The white man went back to the white man's country; the Indian went out on the bay, and the storm wind, for which he was named, arose and claimed him."

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By F. A. MITCHEL

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
To the Honorable Judges of the Land Court:

Respectfully represents Frank A. Towne of Ludlow in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

1. That on September 15th, 1864, Martha E. Towne of Palmer in said County of Hampden was the owner in fee simple of a certain tract of land in the village of Boyntonville in said Town of Palmer, bounded and described as follows:

"Beginning at a stone and stones on the east side of Pleasant Street at a corner of land belonging to Louisiana Bugbee; thence easterly on land said Bugbee six rods and six links and thence five feet to land of Luther Collis; thence eight rods on land of said Collis to a corner of land belonging to Boynton; thence westerly on land of said Boynton six rods and six links and thence northerly on said Street eight rods to the first mentioned bound, with the buildings thereon standing. The said Martha E. Towne acquired said real estate by deed of Reuben L. Boynton dated September 15, 1864, and of record in the County of Hampden, book 229, page 441.

2. On said fifteenth day of September, 1864, said Martha E. Towne conveyed said real estate by deed of mortgage to said Reuben L. Boynton of Wales in said County of Hampden. Said deed of mortgage was duly recorded with the deeds for said County in book 229, page 488, and was given to secure the payment of the sum of six hundred and thirty dollars (\$650) by the said Martha E. Towne to the said Reuben L. Boynton, as appears by the following provisions therein:

"Provided, nevertheless, and this deed is on the following condition, that, whereas, I, the said Martha E. Towne, have executed two promissory notes on demand bearing interest at the rate of five per cent per annum, the one for three hundred and fifty dollars and on note of three hundred dollars, with interest annually, and the said Martha E. Towne, thereunto, shall pay the full amount of said notes according to the tenor thereof, then this deed shall be void, otherwise in full force."

3. The said Martha E. Towne died intestate in the Town of Palmer on April 24, 1869, leaving her husband, Marquis D. L. Towne, then a resident of said Ludlow, as her only heir at law and next of kin, her petitioner, her son and a son of her petitioner, Marquis D. L. Towne, the said Marquis D. L. Towne, at the time of her death, was a resident of the town of Palmer and had been a resident of said town for many years prior thereto. Said real estate of the said Martha E. Towne stood of record in her name.

4. More than twenty years have elapsed since the death of said Martha E. Towne and no administration has ever been taken out on her estate, as duly appears of record.

5. The said Marquis D. L. Towne died July 13, 1895, leaving a will, which was duly approved and allowed, and was duly recorded with the deeds for said County of Hampden, dated September 14, 1895. Letters testamentary were heretofore issued to said Marquis D. L. Towne, as executor of the said Marquis D. L. Towne, who duly filed affidavit of notice of their appointment with the probate court, dated September 14, 1895. By the provisions of said will all the right, title and interest of the said Marquis D. L. Towne in and to the real estate above referred to was devised to the petitioner. No appeal was ever taken from the decree of the probate court allowing said will, and the time in which such appeal may be taken has long since expired.

6. On December 29, 1897, the petitioner conveyed said real estate to Francesnah A. Towne by warranty deed recorded with said Hampden County Deeds, book 572, page 114. Said deed contained covenants and warranties in the following form:

"And I hereby for myself and my heirs, executors and administrators covenant and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of the granted premises; that I have good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid and that I will defend the same against all lawful claims and demands of all persons."

7. On September 30, 1911, said Francesnah A. Towne conveyed said real estate with Michael Skrzyzmarz by deed recorded with said Hampden County Registry of Deeds, book 825, page 195.

8. At the time of the death of the said Marquis D. L. Towne, and always prior thereto the said Marquis D. L. Towne had borne and was commonly known by the name of Marquis D. L. Towne, but shortly thereafter he adopted the name of "Towne" and always thereafter bore and was commonly known by the name of "Towne," which he has adopted as his name.

The said Reuben L. Boynton, the mortgagee named in the mortgage hereinbefore referred to, died in Wales in 1908, before referred to, and was succeeded by a decree of the probate court for said County of Hampden under date of October 1, 1908, Herbert A. McFarland of said County, duly appointed executor of the last will and duly qualified by giving a bond as required by law. On the 26th day of February, 1911, the said Herbert A. McFarland died without having fully executed the provisions of said will. No administrator of the estate of said Reuben L. Boynton has been appointed to succeed the said McFarland.

9. The petitioner, and those having his interest in the possession of the real estate hereinbefore described for more than twenty years since the death of said Reuben L. Boynton, have been in possession of said real estate and have performed the full performance thereof and no person will be prejudiced by the discharge of record of said mortgage.

The petitioner prays that after due notice a decree may be entered rectifying its errors and annulling the same and that the petitioner be restored to the premises as provided by Chapter 533 of the Acts of 1913 and the Acts therein referred to so far as such other relief as he may be entitled to.

FRANK A. TOWNE,
By GARDNER & GARDNER,
His Attorneys.

A True Copy.
Attest: CLARENCE C. SMITH,
Recorder.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Hampden, ss. SETTS. Land Court.

Upon the foregoing petition (the first copy of notice issued in this case not having been served as required), it is ordered that the petitioner give notice to all persons interested in said petition to appear before the Land Court at Springfield, within and for our said County of Hampden, on the first Monday of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to be heard on the petition and answer may den (where appears James R. Wells, Register of Deeds for the Registry District of said Hampden County, as Assistant Recorder of said Court) on the first Monday of March next, by causing a true and attested copy of said petition and answer to be published forthwith once a week, for three successive weeks, in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published in Palmer, in said County of Hampden, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said first Monday of March next, by fore said first Monday of March next, the Commonwealth with a like attested copy of said petition and order, together with a true and attested copy of said petition and order by registered mail on each respondent, as soon as may be, and in any event fourteen days at least before said first Monday of March next, that all respondents may then and there show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

By the Court.
Attest: CLARENCE C. SMITH,
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Monday a Day of Town Meetings.

New State Law Makes Changes in Dates. Warren Shifts From Dry to Wet Column. Officers And Appropriations Hereabouts.

A large proportion of the towns of the state, because of the new state law requiring all municipal accounts to be closed December 31, held their annual town meetings on Monday. The results for the towns in this locality are given below.

Wales.

The people of Wales have long been anxious for trolley connection, both as a matter of personal convenience and for the benefit of the town's manufacturing plants, and it was voted to employ an agent to further such a result if possible, and also to investigate the possibilities of a strip of state road. An appropriation of \$100 was made for the use of the agent, who will be appointed by the selectmen. The town went "Dry" by three votes. The results of the day's business:

Moderator, H. P. Smith; town clerk, O. P. Royce; treasurer, L. H. Thompson; tax collector, N. F. Bradley; selectmen, F. M. Royce, O. P. Royce, J. H. Walker; assessor for three years, LaRoy Squier; school committee for three years, Anna B. Thompson; constables, B. F. Baker, W. C. Baker, John Lynn; tree warden, M. F. Bradley; library trustee, three years, Mary Ferguson; cemetery committee, for three years, O. P. Royce; auditor, Alvin A. Hubbard.

Appropriations: Town officers, \$300; schools and textbooks, \$1160; library, \$75; paupers, \$200; highways, \$1000; street lights, \$500; water for fountain, \$300; Memorial Day, \$60; Old Home Week, \$50; medical inspection of school, \$25; moth suppression, \$60; total, \$4030.

License: Yes, 19; no, 22.

Warren.

Opposition to the old board of selectmen resulted in the defeat of Joseph G. Hastings by Joseph D. Vigneaux of West Warren, who celebrated his victory with red fire and stump speaking. The town shifted from the dry to the wet column by a majority of 153. The appropriation meeting will be held next Monday. The officers elected are:

Town clerk, William F. Duncan; treasurer, Charles B. Blair; selectmen, Lester L. Burroughs, Edward D. Sullivan, Joseph D. Vigneaux; overseers of the poor, Albert B. Patrick, Herbert S. Shepard, Joseph D. Vigneaux; assessor for three years, Joseph O. Faneuf; school committee, Edmond Chapdelaine, John E. Dalton, Florence H. Patrick; auditors, W. Orphir Hebert, William F. Taylor, David A. Winton; tax collector, Frank E. Gleason; tree warden, John Sweeney; constables, John Collins, William T. Haley, Walter Putnam, Joseph St. George, Clarence L. Thompson; cemetery commissioner, J. Edward Lombard, three years; board of health, Joseph St. George, three years. Liquor license: Yes, 360; no, 207.

Belchertown.

A record vote was cast on license, "Yes" winning by 108 majority. The contest for school committee resulted in a tie, Henry W. Eliot and Milton C. Bagges each receiving 150 votes. The town water supply committee announced that it was not ready to make a full report, and an extension of time was given. It was voted to require all junk gatherers and itinerant fruit peddlers to take out licenses, and to establish a precedent regarding the frequenting of streets by young people of the town after 10 o'clock in the evening. The results:

Moderator, George H. B. Greene; town clerk and treasurer, Arthur Bridgman; tax collector, Walter D. Morse; selectmen, George S. Warner, John J. Garvey, E. F. Shumway; assessors, Michael P. Bowler; constables, J. A. Peaso, Michael F. Austin, Eugene F. Flaherty, D. F. Shumway, Myron S. Barton; trustees or electors of special fund; Trustee of Calvin Bridgman Fund, M. S. Barton; trustees of White Street fund, Mrs. George Witt, Mrs. Myron Ward.

Appropriations: Town officers, \$2500; schools and text books, \$6800; paupers, \$1500; highways and bridges, \$4000; street lights, \$1200; town debt, \$575; interest, \$450; Memorial Day, \$50; contingent account, cemetery, \$100; suppression of brown-tail moth, \$100; spraying and trimming trees, \$150; road scraper, \$225; settees, \$103; total, \$17,770.

License: Yes, 211; no, 103.

Wilbraham.

The town voted to appropriate \$1500 for improvement of highways if the state highway commission would give a like amount, and the selectmen were instructed to secure this if possible. Officers and appropriations:

Moderator, C. E. Peck; clerk and treasurer, W. H. McGuire Jr.; selectman for three years, A. M. Seaver; overseer of the poor for three years, A. M. Seaver; assessor for three years, W. M. Morgan; for one year, J. H. Farr; school committee for three years, C. P. Bolles; auditor, L. W. Rice; tax collector, W. V. Baldwin; tree warden, H. I. Edson; constables, Arthur Brodeur, D. H. Eaton, L. L. Farr, A. F.

Friend, H. M. Green; library trustee for three years, F. A. Gurney; fence viewers, F. D. Benton, B. B. Green, B. F. Green, R. J. Pease. Appropriations: Town officers, \$1000; pole brose bridge, \$1400; schools, \$650; library, \$500; paupers, \$1800; tree warden, \$100; highways and bridges, \$2500; town loan, \$500; forest warden, \$250; street lights, \$1750; spraying, \$200; prosecution of illegal sale of liquor, \$300; cemeteries, \$150; Memorial day, \$75; contingent account, \$1500; miscellaneous, \$400; contagious diseases, \$200. Liquor license: Yes, 52; no, 133.

Brimfield.

Brimfield's meeting was attended by an unusually large number, both men and women, and there was much oratory and discussion. It was the liveliest meeting within the recollection of any voter. There was a total of 189 votes, of which 39 were cast by women for school committee.

A large portion of the morning was spent on a proposition to elect a committee of three to examine the accounts of the overseers of the poor from March, 1904, to date, and report the true financial condition of the department at a future town meeting. A warm debate followed, but the friends of the measure were in the majority and Frank Haley, William Cheney and A. F. Winnewisser were appointed. They are authorized to employ an expert accountant, and \$25 was appropriated for their use.

There was a long discussion in the afternoon on the present contract with the Hitchcock Free Academy, which finally brought out the fact that what was really wanted was an inventory of the equipment in the Academy which is owned by the town, so that it may be determined whether the town's expenditure is a fair one to the inhabitants. It was alleged that the town had spent \$750 for the Academy, although under the contract it was to pay nothing. Dr. Sawin explained that this payment was to meet a temporary contingency and would be returned to the town later.

The vocational school was also thoroughly discussed. Of the \$2000 appropriated only about \$693 has been expended in the few months since the appropriation was made. The balance, \$1307, was appropriated for the year ending next December, with an additional \$693 to make \$2000 for the full year.

There was so much discussion that not all of the business could be completed on Monday. The results:

Moderator, Robert Streeter; town clerk, Miner H. Corbin; treasurer, Charles S. Tarbell; tax collector, Charles S. Tarbell; selectmen, Orrin Hicks, Clarence B. Brown, Charles H. Filer; overseer of poor for three years, Charles C. Brown; assessor for three years, Charles C. Brown; school committee for three years, John H. Noyes; constables, Charles A. Roper, Charles H. Filer, Orrin Hicks, Elmer E. Bradway, Patrick McIntyre; tree warden, John W. Brown; cemetery commissioner, John W. Brown; trustees of White Street fund, three years, Edward F. Butters, William A. Estabrook, Rebecca M. Lincoln; auditors, Leon S. Oliver, P. A. Parker.

Appropriations—Bonds of town officers, \$35; public schools, \$4095; library, \$300 and dog fund; paupers, \$600; Town Farm rent; highways, \$1526; tree warden, \$25; suppressing illegal liquor, \$150; care cemetery, \$200; sidewalks, \$600; street lights, \$705; care of town square, \$125; suppression gipsy moth, \$175; Memorial Day, \$75; miscellaneous, \$1200; vocational agricultural school, \$2000; high school, \$500; repairs on schoolhouses, \$300; State road under small towns account, \$1000. Total, \$14,521.

Liquor license, Yes, 53; No, 80.

Ware.

Moderator, Henry K. Hyde; town clerk and treasurer, Joseph H. Walker; tax collector, Louis N. Dupont; selectmen, Thomas E. Haley, Hermidas St. Onge, Arthur F. Thayer; overseers of poor, one year, Moise Deslauriers, T. W. Emerson, S. P. Rohan; assessors, three years, Herbert F. Barnes; board of health, three years, Louis S. Charbonneau; school committee, three years, George W. Dunham; highway surveyor, P. E. Dunham; water commissioner, three years, James A. Byrns; cemetery commissioner, three years, J. H. Grenville (Gilbert); park commissioner, three years, C. C. Hitchcock; auditors, H. F. Lamoureux, P. J. Sullivan; trustee or elector of special fund, tree warden F. E. Zeisel. Appropriations—Town officers, \$4400; schools and textbooks, \$45,400; library, dog fund and \$1500; paupers, \$8000; highways and bridges, \$8000; sidewalks, repairs \$1500, new \$1000; police, \$4300; street lights, \$6800; sewers, \$1000; town debt, \$10,600; interest, \$3575; Memorial Day, \$150; contingent account, \$2200; town hall, \$1400; military aid, \$550; cemeteries, \$850; water, \$675; G. A. R. perpetual markers, \$160; paving, \$500; mothers' aid, \$1000; street sprinkling and oiling, \$2300; board of health, \$2400; shade trees, \$600; treasurer and collector's bond, \$400; state and county tax, \$2800; emergency fund, \$2000; overlay, \$1500. Total, \$140,860.

Liquor license, yes 819; no 332.

TAXI DRIVER ROBBED.

Springfield Man Held Up Near Palmer Last Week.

BY TWO MEN HE BROUGHT FROM CITY

Revolver at His Back Compels Him to Keep On. Men Caught Later in Providence.

A bold robbery was pulled off within the limits of Palmer early 1st Thursday morning, but little was known of it here until late in the day, because the performance had its beginning in Springfield and its finish in Warren. Two men relieved a Springfield taxi driver of \$142 near the electric plant, then compelled him to drive them through Warren, where they jumped a freight and disappeared. Both were later caught in Providence, and identified by their victim.

The robbed man, Joseph Cooper of Springfield, was approached about 1.30 Thursday morning in that city with a proposition to drive a man out on the Worcester road for baggage which he claimed was in a disabled car, offering to pay as soon as they reached the spot, as the man's wife, who had been left with the disabled machine, had all the funds. Cooper was directed to the union passenger station, where a second man was taken in. After a time Cooper became suspicious and began to ask questions. At the Auto Inn at North Wilbraham a revolver was shoved against his back and he was ordered to drive faster and keep still. On Main street in Palmer Cooper saw an officer on the sidewalk, but the proximity of the revolver to his back kept him quiet. Officer Crimmins noticed the car as it slid by, for it was a big one of peculiar make, but of course knew nothing of the occupants.

When near the electric light plant east of Palmer the men made Cooper stop and alight. At the muzzles of three revolvers he was forced to give up his fur coat, hat and gloves, and a pocketbook containing \$142. One of the men then took Cooper's place and ran the machine, showing that he had expert knowledge of its operation. The machine stopped about a mile east of Warren for the lack of gasoline, and one of the men started back for a supply. Cooper attacked his guard and in the scuffle was hit over the head with the butt of a revolver. In the scrimmage Cooper's antagonist slipped and fell and Cooper ran for the nearest house. Arriving there he telephoned for aid and Officer Joseph St. George of Warren was notified. Cooper returned to his machine, arriving just as the men with the gasoline got back. When he reached the car both men left it and ran to a passing freight, which they jumped and disappeared.

Word was sent out to all localities to be on the lookout for the men, and two men were arrested in Providence Sunday night for holding up a street car conductor in North Providence. They broke out of the lockup in a short time, but were soon gathered in again. They proved to be the men who pulled off the Cooper robbery, and were later identified as Frank Cassidy and John Hazard, who on Sunday, January 24, with another man, broke out of jail at Syracuse, N. Y., for whom the police had been searching far and wide ever since.

New Fish Being Hatched.

Public Invited to Witness Processes at the Palmer Hatchery.

Just now is an unusually interesting time at the state fish hatchery at Palmer Center, and Superintendent Otis Monroe extends a cordial invitation to the public to visit the enlarged hatchery.

Now, as well as in early spring, is a good time to see how a few of the different food fish are hatched and raised. At present at the hatchery there are in process of hatching brook trout and Chinook salmon. In the spring will be hatched millions of wall-eyed pike—known as pike-perch,—yellow perch and white perch. The process of hatching these fish is entirely different from that employed for the trout and salmon, and both are intensely interesting and well worth seeing. About the last of May and the first of June the black bass will begin to hatch, and this is a still different process.

Mr. Monroe and assistants will be pleased to show anyone around the place at any time and answer any questions concerning the processes of hatching and development of the different fish hatched and reared at this place.

The Entre Nous Whist Club met at the home of Mrs. H. W. Holbrook Tuesday evening.

STORM IS A BAD ONE.

Began Sunday, Continued Until Into Last Night.

RAIN, SNOW, SLEET, LOW MERCURY.

Trolley Lines Tied Up. Ice Covers Tracks Inches Thick. Some Lines Still Dead.

The worst storm of the winter—and in some respects the worst this section has seen for many years—began Sunday afternoon and ended sometime last night. There has been snow, rain, sleet, freezing temperature for a long-continued time, and trolley traffic has been tied up as never before.

Snow began to fall Sunday afternoon, followed by a slight rain about 6 in the evening. There was not a great quantity of snow, but a drop in the temperature later in the night covered the streets and walks with a coating which was dangerous for animals and humans unless great care was exercised. The rain continued to fall in a drizzle, alternating with snow, all day Monday, freezing mostly as it fell until in the evening, when the temperature raised a little and the water began to run in the gutters and along the highways. About 11 o'clock the mercury dropped again and everything froze tight.

Tuesday was a blizzardy day. Snow the consistency of coarse dry meal fell nearly all day, accompanied by a generous wind. A couple of inches of light snow fell in the night. Yesterday it was "spitting" snow all day, and the accumulation of the 24 hours to this morning was another two inches, although very light.

The snow of Sunday and Monday, followed by the freeze of Monday night, played havoc with the trolley service. When it began to rain Monday evening the space between the rails was filled with snow, the wheels having made a little path for themselves along the rails. Down this path the water quickly found its way; then came the drop in temperature and the water turned to ice. As a consequence all traffic on the hill lines was at a standstill Tuesday morning. In many places the ice was more than six inches thick, covering the track completely. This had to be removed by pick and shovel. A fair sample of the existing conditions prevailed on the Bondsville line, where every inch of the track from Four Corners to Bondsville had to be picked out. The Ware and Brimfield lines were in about the same condition. Bondsville was reached late last night; Brimfield some time this afternoon; it is hoped to get to Ware by to-morrow morning. Other sections of the state are in the same condition. No cars had been run west of Southbridge on the Worcester-Springfield line up to this morning. The Springfield, Monson and Three Rivers lines were operated Tuesday with little loss of time, although some of the trips were run late.

Crews were put at work early Tuesday morning to clear out the lines, and some of them have been at it almost continuously ever since. Never before in the history of trolley roads in this section has the situation been so bad and so baffling as that of this week. And with it all was a temperature of only about 15 degrees above zero, even in the daytime, since Monday night.

WALES.

The funeral of the three-years-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert Corbin of Charlton City was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Corbin on Monday afternoon. The body was brought from Florida, where the child died.

The annual town meeting was held on Monday. Rev. H. P. Smith served as moderator. There were no important changes among the officers. The license vote was 22 no to 19 yes. The sum of \$500 was appropriated to be used if necessary to provide a supply of water for the fountain and schoolhouse, and \$100 for trolley and state highway extension.

WILBRAHAM.

A party of young people surprised Miss Katherine Hinkley Monday evening and spent a very pleasant evening, leaving her a pretty souvenir of the occasion in the form of a club bag.

The old Congregational parsonage, used as such for the past 50 years, has been sold to Edwin C. Powell of Springfield, who will make extensive repairs on the building before occupying it.

Church Co-operation On a Larger Scale.

Congregational and Universalist Congregations Discussing Suggestion. Meeting Held Sunday; A Plan Outlined for Approval.

A suggestion which has in it unlimited possibilities for good along many lines, in that it is intended to result in a uniting of talent and energies which are now divided, is under consideration by the people of the Second Congregational and Universalist churches of Palmer. About 30 men of both congregations met at the home of Rev. Eric R. Allen on Sunday evening to discuss the proposition of co-operation on a larger scale, and it was unanimously agreed that the matter was worthy of the consideration of the members of both societies. Accordingly it was decided to ask them to consider it, and as a preliminary to this end to appoint a committee of three from each organization to jointly prepare a definite plan, which will then be submitted to the members of each society.

The Universalist church had already called a meeting to confirm the sale of the Lawrence block to T. J. Chalk and to act upon the resignation of Rev. O. S. Raspe, the pastor. That meeting took place Monday evening and a committee consisting of H. W. Holbrook, C. E. Fish and E. W. Carpenter was appointed. The Congregational church will have a meeting next Wednesday evening, when it will undoubtedly appoint a committee; the two will then confer and prepare a plan for the consideration of the two societies at a later time.

At the meeting Sunday evening the idea of co-operation was presented as being one which is in full accord with the best thought of the present day. There is a general demand for it, not only in churches, but in all enterprises where public or community interests are to be served. The condition which prevails in the two societies under consideration was outlined as one which must necessarily result in much wasted effort, a duplication of activities and expenditures, which cannot result in the highest efficiency. There are two complete plants in operation, whose combined activities, it is said, could easily be executed in one.

The suggestion made was that the two societies organize a third, which shall carry out all the activities of the whole. The idea is for each society to retain all its properties and to keep its present organization and denominational affiliations. Each society would manage its own property, except that which shall be used by the federation for its own purposes. This would include both church buildings and at least one parsonage. There would be no lessening of religious services, but greater activity in social and institutional work.

It was suggested that the present annual expenditures would cover all the ground that is now being covered,

Through Ice at Forest Lake.

Narrow Escape From Drowning of Unknown Man; Was Almost Exhausted.

An unknown man had a close call from drowning at Forest Lake a few days ago. The man, who appeared to be a farm hand, attempted to cross near A. D. Moore's ice cream factory; he walked onto the thin ice covering a spot from which ice had recently been harvested, and broke through. The man managed to keep above water by breaking the ice about him until his calls for help attracted the attention of a workman in the ice cream establishment, who went to his assistance and by the use of a large ice pole managed to pull him out. He was taken to the ice cream factory, where dry clothing was given him, together with hot drinks, and after a while continued on his way. The man said that if help had not come when it did he could not have remained above water much longer, as he was numb from the cold.

EAST BRIMFIELD.

Mrs. Otis Williams died suddenly in her home last Sunday morning. Although she has been in feeble health for a number of years her death came as a shock. She had been a resident of the town but a short time, coming here last June. She is survived by her husband and two daughters, Bertha and Myra Williams.

George C. Lane Jr. and Robert Plympton attended the concert in the Auditorium in Springfield Sunday afternoon, and later a meeting of the Christian Endeavor field secretaries in the First Church of Christ, in the same city.

HAMPDEN.

The following Hampden young people who are attending school elsewhere are honor pupils for the second half of the first semester: Miss Eleanor Burleigh of the Springfield Central high school, 17, Ralph Lyons and Russell E. Kibbe at the high school of commerce, 17.

A large number of the members of Hampden Grange enjoyed a straw ride on sleds to Wilbraham last Friday night and attended an entertainment given by the Grange in that place.

While passing the Center No. 1 schoolhouse last week Walter Beebe noticed that one of the windows was open. He notified one of the school committee and together they investigated and found that red ink had been used freely in wetting down the floor, desks and other woodwork. Suspicion pointed toward a state boy living with Mrs. John Mahar, and it was found that he had disappeared. He has since been located and several articles belonging to the school were found in his possession.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

William F. Logan, who has been spending a few days in New York, has returned home.

William Dickinson has succeeded David Griswold as master mechanic in the Collins Manufacturing Company's plant.

E. E. Hobson of Palmer is to speak at the meeting of the Men's Club tonight on the subject, "Transactions in Congress." The Wilbraham Men's Club has been invited to attend.

WARREN.

The following officers were elected last Friday evening at the annual meeting of the Warren Public Library Association: Clerk, Joseph G. Hastings; treasurer, I. Walter Moore; directors, George E. Tarbell, James N. F. Quinlan, William E. Patrick, Mrs. Julia M. Hitchcock, Miss Edith W. Chadsey, William A. Jenks, Edward Fairbanks, William L. Curtis, George A. Shumway, Edward D. Sullivan and Dr. J. E. Dalton; auditors, Charles B. Blair and William L. Curtis; book committee, librarian, Rev. O. I. Darling and Miss Mary C. Burbank; house committee to have charge of the building and repairs, William L. Curtis, James N. F. Quinlan and Charles D. Perkins.

WARE.

Clement Phaneuf, 73, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Peter Berthiaume, Friday morning after a long illness with liver trouble. He was a native of Canada, but had resided in Ware for nearly 30 years. The funeral was held Sunday from Mt. Carmel church, and burial was in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

The finance committee of the Ware Visiting Nurse Association has arranged for a concert for the benefit of the Association to be given in the town hall Saturday, Feb. 20, by Mrs. Howard Jordan and daughters of Burlington, Vt., formerly of Ware. Mrs. Jordan's daughters gave a very pleasing concert two years ago for the same cause, and are volunteering their services again this year.

Edward A. Higney, employed by the Parker-Hamer Electric Company of Palmer, was painfully burned while putting in a fuse in the Charles A. Stevens Company's mills Saturday morning. He had finished putting in the fuse when it blew out, sending out streams of fire. He shut off the current, but both hands were severely burned and a small fire was started on one of the looms, but was soon extinguished. Mr. Higney was attended by Dr. W. W. Miner, who anticipates no serious results, although Higney received quite a shock aside from the burns.

Henry O. Draper, 79, died at his home on Prospect street Thursday morning. Although he had been quite ill for a week, his death came unexpectedly. He was a native of Pelham, coming to Ware with his parents at the age of twelve. With the exception of a few years spent in the West and in Boston, he had lived all his life here. He is survived by his widow, one sister, Mrs. Adeline O. Glines of this town, and one brother, George L. Draper of Redlands, Cal. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the home, and burial was in Aspen Grove cemetery.

BELCHERTOWN.

E. A. Shumway, selectman, was surprised recently in his home by a large number of friends on the occasion of his birthday. An original poem read by Mrs. Jason Hurlburt, and one sung by Edward E. Gay created much amusement. Music and recitations were enjoyed during the evening.

Mrs. Dickinson of the Woman's Relief Corps, and chairman of the social committee has appointed the following sub-committees: Flowers, Mrs. Dodge; conference, Mrs. Viola Shaw; auditing, Mrs. Alice Hazen; home employment, Mrs. Cora Burnette; relief, Mrs. Ellen Dewey; executive, Mrs. Draper.

Old Time Coining.

In the fifteenth century a skilled coiner, of whom there were but few, might be able to turn out by hand fifty or sixty coins a day, a result totally inadequate to cope with the vast quantity of treasure, chiefly silver, that shortly began to arrive from America. To multiply coins was to multiply forgers, and thus the coining machine became a necessity of state. A laminating mill and screw coining press was invented in Italy 1547, Spain 1548, France 1553 and England 1561, reign of Elizabeth. After several trials and abandonments the mill and press were established permanently under Charles II., whose golden guineas, struck in 1662, were the first regular issues of machine coins made north of the channel.—Argonaut.

Why They Don't Hear.

Perhaps the limit of hymnic fatuity was reached by the writer of hymn 576 in the "Ancient and Modern" collection. Here is the fourth stanza: They do not hear when the great bell is ringing overhead; They cannot rise and come to church With us, for they are dead. The list of things which "they" are unable to do might be indefinitely extended, and it seems a thing incredible that the author of the above verse should have written so beautiful and moving a hymn as "There is a green hill far away."—London Chronicle.

Canada's Size.

The area of the Dominion of Canada is 3,658,946 square miles. The area of continental United States is 3,025,000 square miles. Canada is as big as the United States with a territory to spare that is as large as three German empires and the state of New York.—New York American.

Among Other Things.

Teacher—What is the elephant hunted for, Emerson? Bright Pupil—Magazine articles.—Puck.

WITNESS TO THE DEED

By M. QUAD

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My mistress in Gainsboro road had lost a £5 note in the house, and the thief was the parlor maid. I knew it from her actions, and three months after I left the house she was caught in a similar offense and owned up to the first theft. However, the crime was laid on me, and because I made indignant and perhaps impudent protest I was flung out of the house at half an hour's notice and refused a character. I was idle for the next three months. The first thing demanded when I applied for a place was a character. As soon as it was learned that I had none it was useless to talk further. It was for this reason that I finally paid a fee to an intelligence office in Margate street and was at length sent for to take a place at general housework. It was an old man named Dyson who wanted me. He was willing to take me without a character because he would have to pay less wages and because, as he grimly asserted, there was nothing lying around loose in his house for me to steal. As we sat face to face I sized him up as mean and peevish, but I did not see any evil in him. He had an aged and infirm wife, he told me, and I would be the only servant.

It was not for me to pick and choose I must have a place and hold it long enough to get a character again. I went with him miles and miles out on the Holborn road, and we at last arrived at the cheaply built and cheap looking cottage he occupied. It was a place devoid of almost all conveniences and had been selected for its cheap rent. I found the old wife deaf, almost blind and palsied, and it was apparent that she had no care whatever.

I soon had evidence that he was in love with a widow in the neighborhood, or at least he desired to be free so that he could marry her. My natural impulse on finding out how he felt toward his wife was to flee the house, but I have explained how I was situated.

In the course of a couple of weeks he declared that the cellar was full of rats and gave me money and commanded me to buy arsenic. He recommended me to go to a store miles away and to say that I wanted it for my complexion and to give my own name. I went to a drug store only two blocks away and gave his name, and when he discovered this he was highly indignant for a day, and I rather expected to be thrown out. However, in the course of three or four days he developed another plan. After coaching the old wife he left me alone with her for the first time, and she begged me to get her some laudanum for toothache and not to mention the matter to him. It was easy to tell that she had been coached what to say, and I refused to buy the drug. A few days later as I was preparing her a soup I had to leave the kitchen for a minute. When I returned the soup was giving out a strange odor, and being satisfied that her husband had poisoned it, I, of course, threw it away. He scolded about my waste, but when I looked him squarely in the eyes he dropped his and had no more to say.

I had been with the Dysons five years when the climax came. The old woman was holding her own if not getting better, and the husband's impatience had a savage edge to it. Their bedroom was on the north side of the house. All along on that side was a deep excavation for a factory.

At 10 o'clock one night I lay wondering if he really meant to take her life and how he would finally accomplish it, when I heard a half suppressed scream from his room. I got softly out of bed and went to the farther door, and, looking through a crack, I saw that the window was up and that he stood before it with his wife in his arms. She was hanging on to him with fingers of steel and making a great struggle. I heard him breathing heavily and snarling and growling as he tore her fingers loose, but I did not know what he planned to do till of a sudden he staggered to the open window and flung her out. She screamed as she went to her death, and in my fright I echoed the scream. I remember the man rushing across the room at me, of his dashing open the door, of his striking me down, and then came darkness which lasted for weeks. He had struck me with a piece of iron and fractured my skull. He then carried my body downstairs and bore it into a quarter of a mile away and flung it into another excavation. Before taking me from the house he put on my hat and cloak, and thus it appeared to those who found my unconscious body next morning that I had been coming home the night before and fallen into the pit. As to his wife, he gave the alarm and brought the police and made out that it was a case of suicide. While he was fast asleep, as he claimed, she had stolen to the window and leaped to her death.

His story went, and it was several months before there was any contradiction. I had a fractured skull, brain fever and pneumonia and for weeks and weeks lay as one dead. When I opened my memory was confused, and it was seven months before I told my story and put the police on the track. Long before that Dyson had married the widow and sailed for America, and though efforts were made to find him nothing came of them. Never did a man deserve the hangman's rope more, and yet if living today he is free and has no fear of the law.

Only the actions of the just Smell sweet and blossom in the dust.

The Strange Case of Winifred Collins

A Combination of Events Not Likely to Happen More Than Once

By MARGARET C. DEVEREAUX

The ocean steamer Albert Corwith had passed the strait of Gibraltar coming westward and was standing toward the island of Madeira when the man in the crow's nest informed the third mate on duty at the time that something that looked like wreckage had appeared on the port quarter. The ship was put off her course a few points, and on drawing nearer a ship's boat was found wedged in between a portion of a mast, a spar and some cordage. Meanwhile the captain had come on deck and was looking through his glasses at the floating objects.

"Isn't there some one in that boat, Mr. Renshaw?" he asked of the third mate, who was also using his binoculars.

"It looks that way, sir."

"Lower a boat and find out."

The engines were stopped, a boat was lowered, and the mate was pulled to the wreckage. He returned bearing the body of a young woman.

"Dead?" asked the captain as the boat pulled alongside.

"I think not, sir."

The gangway was lowered, and the woman was carried on deck. The mate had taken a flask with him and had given her a swallow of brandy. The ship's surgeon took charge of her and gave her an additional stimulant, and soon after taking it she opened her eyes.

"Bring some broth from the galley as soon as it can be prepared," said the doctor.

Fortunately the dinner hour was at hand and the soup was ready. The girl closed her eyes and had apparently relapsed into unconsciousness, but on being given a little of the broth she opened them again and this time seemed to take in the men bending over her. The surgeon directed that she be taken below and turned over to the stewardess to be put into a berth.

It was some time before the castaway was in condition to be questioned. Then the surgeon, Dr. Reeves, undertook the task. The examination was brief, for the girl remembered nothing back of lying on the ship's deck with a number of men looking down upon her.

On the return of the rescue party the captain had sent for the third mate, who had been in charge of it, and asked him if in the wreckage he had seen anything to indicate to what ship it had belonged. To this Renshaw replied that he had not. There was nothing that would have been likely to bear the vessel's name except the boat in which the girl was found, and this had been so battered by the surrounding wreckage that most of the paint had been rubbed off. The officer had looked for a name on the boat and had seen only parts of a few remaining letters on the starboard stern. They resembled a G or a C, an A and an M or an N and were probably the last letters of the name of the ship to which the boat belonged. The captain had reproved the officer for not bringing the boat with him, whereupon the latter excused himself on the ground that it had been so surrounded by the wreckage that to extricate it would have been very difficult.

The stewardess, finding the castaway's hair matted with blood, washed it and found that it had come from a contusion of the scalp. She intended to call the doctor's attention to it, but it did not seem to her to be of much importance and was healing over, so she forgot to mention it. There were other contusions on the body, but none that were serious.

Here was a case of a girl of twenty cut off from relatives, who were also cut off from her. If she had come to earth from another planet she could not have been a greater stranger. The ship on which she had sailed would either be reported missing or would make port, but neither of these happenings would be likely to give a clue to the girl's identity.

The Albert Corwith was bound for Boston and was due there about ten days after picking up the castaway. This did not give much time for a decision as to what to do with the castaway when the ship reached port. In a few days she was sufficiently restored to go on deck and before the voyage was ended was quite herself with the exception of memory. She was still oblivious to the past. The captain headed a subscription paper with a substantial amount, and it was passed through the ship. The amount raised was given to the poor girl who must go ashore to an unremembered world.

The girl was much moved when the money was given her and accepted it, hoping that some day she might benefit some one to a like amount. She must have a name since her own was lost, and she decided to take that of the ship whose crew had rescued her. She would call herself Alberta Corwith.

Two years before the rescue of the castaway a young man and a girl of eighteen were standing on an eminence near Portland, Me., looking out to sea. On the morrow they were to part, for the girl was going to Europe to study art.

"I don't like to think, Winifred," said

When they are in Rome they do as they see done.

the man, "that the broad Atlantic will be between us for so long a time. I shall scratch off every day on the calendar as it passes till I have you with me again."

"It will not be long, Tom," replied the girl. "A year is not so long as it was when we were children. A month isn't much more than a week was then, and it is only eighteen months between now and the time I return."

The next day Winifred Collins went by train to Boston and thence across the Atlantic to Havre. She studied both in France and Italy during a year and a half, as she had intended, then went to Genoa to sail for home. She wrote her lover that she would leave Genoa on a certain date in an ocean steamer the name of which she gave him. When the ship came in Tom Gilbreth was on the deck eagerly scanning the passengers who descended the gangway looking for his Winifred. The line grew thin and she had not appeared. The last person descended, but not the girl he was looking for. Running up the gangway, he sought the purser and asked him if the name of Winifred Collins was on the passenger list. It was not.

The mystery was not solved within a week or two, as Gilbreth supposed it would be. A month passed and there were no tidings of Winifred. Two months passed and her lover was in an agony of fear and suspense. Cablegrams to Genoa brought only the information that her name was on the register of a hotel there the day the steamer on which she was to have sailed left port. She had paid her bill and left the house two days later.

Gilbreth went abroad in search of his betrothed, but, finding no trace of her, returned disappointed and in despair. He knew not which way to turn to continue his search. Thinking that she might have sailed by another ship, he searched the records of ships that had within that limit of time sailed from Italian ports and found that a small American owned ship, the Pelican, had sailed from Leghorn two days after the date Winifred was to have sailed from Genoa, but was overdue several months.

Here was a clue to information concerning Winifred, but undesirable information. If Winifred had missed the ship on which she was to have sailed and taken the Pelican instead she was probably lost. Tom hoped that the clue he had found was incorrect.

One day a friend of Tom's who knew of his trouble called his attention to an item that had been floating among the newspapers mentioning the rescue of a woman at sea. It included mention of the parts of letters on the boat from which she was taken. He inferred that they were C A N, the last three letters of the word Pelican. Then he knew that he was on the track of his betrothed.

All now depended on his finding Alberta Corwith, who had been merged in the millions of New York's inhabitants. There was but one medium by which she could be found. If that failed the task was impossible. If Alberta Corwith had remained in New York the chances were far better than if she had gone elsewhere. Tom laid out a system of advertising by which the New York field should be first covered, intending to extend the search throughout the United States if the New York field did not produce the desired result. His advertisement read, "Information wanted of Alberta Corwith."

Within a month after the insertion Tom received a note from a dry goods firm in New York city informing him that an Alberta Corwith was employed in one of their departments. Tom took the next train for New York, went to the address mentioned and, on inquiry, learned that Miss Corwith would be found in the cloak department. There he found Winifred Collins.

He sprang forward to clasp her in his arms, but she recoiled. He told her who she was and that he was her fiancé. She listened with interest to what he said, but did not remember ever having seen him before.

Winifred being found, the next question was, Could her memory be restored? The case was submitted to physicians, who gave various reports. One medical man suggested that while knocked about in the boat among the wreckage the castaway might have received a blow on the head that had produced the amnesia. He examined Winifred's head and found a slight depression. This was the place from which the stewardess had washed away the clotted blood.

Soon after this discovery Winifred's skull was operated upon. Several persons whom she had known before going abroad, including her betrothed, stood about her when she came out from the effects of the anæsthetic. Though suffering from it, her eye brightened, and on seeing her lover she attempted to hold out her arms to him.

The case of Winifred Collins excited marked attention owing to the strange combination of circumstances which composed it. She had taken a train from Paris which should have landed her in Genoa a couple of hours before the leaving of the steamer on which she had intended to cross the Atlantic. A railroad accident delayed the train four hours. The steamer having sailed on her arrival, hearing that the ship from Leghorn would sail the next day, she went there and boarded it.

The story of the shipwreck was clear in her mind up to a certain point. After that it was a blank. She remembered getting into the ship's boat with several of the crew and a few events after doing so. Then the mental record stopped. The doctors believed that at this point she received the blow which suspended her memory till the moment it was restored by the operation.

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Chrysanthemums of Japan.

Although the chrysanthemum has reached its highest form of development in Japan, and is still revered as the imperial emblem, it was taken to Japan from China, where it has been brought to its highest state of cultivation. At the Imperial chrysanthemum party given by his majesty the emperor of Japan in November every year one sees the most marvelous blossoms known to the floriculturist. The number of blossoms from one root is amazing. In one case no less than 700 flowers were seen growing from one plant. The festival of the chrysanthemum dates back to the Heian era, when the great ones of the empire used to call at the Imperial palace and drink to the health of the Imperial house from sake cups in which floated petals of the beautiful flowers.

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Woman Lawyer—Madam, how old are you? Woman Witness—You husky!—Philadelphia Ledger.

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An Episode of the Crescent City

By WILLARD BLAKEMAN

It was about 1850 that Arnold Dalmatire, a cotton factor of New Orleans, went to New York on business. In the office of a cotton broker in New York was a boy named Alec Tracy, whose health was very delicate. Indeed, the doctors had given him but a short time to live. Tracy, who was but fifteen years old, was assigned to Dalmatire to perform certain clerical duties and carry messages during the latter's stay in New York. Dalmatire was one of those men generous, sensitive to their honor, that were typical of the south at that time. He took pity on the boy and, suggesting that a southern climate and a change of scene might restore him to health, offered to take him to New Orleans and give him a position in his office there.

Dalmatire was a bachelor about forty years old and soon after his return from New York married a woman half his age, celebrated for her beauty. Gay society is usually enumbered with men who consider women a legitimate prey, though the standard of honor in this respect is doubtless higher than it was. A scion of a noble French house, Albert Durier, whose father had left France during the revolution to escape the guillotine, was at that time prominent socially in New Orleans and became devoted to Mme. Dalmatire. It was not long before his attentions were the subject of remark.

Dalmatire was not himself socially inclined, and his wife went about a good deal without him. For this reason he did not observe Durier being so much with his wife, and there was no one to caution him except Tracy. The young northerner was conscious of the fact that he owed his life to his benefactor and idolized him. When, therefore, he noticed that Dalmatire needed a friend to warn him of the danger in which his wife was being placed he considered how he could do so with the least damage to all concerned.

But the more he thought about it the more clearly he saw the difficulties in the way. Not a word could be spoken without bringing on a rupture in Dalmatire's domestic relations. Tracy believed that the wife was innocent, but imprudent; that she needed to be cautioned, possibly to be withdrawn from the influence of her admirer. This plan, too, he cast aside. Finally he determined to settle the matter with Durier, but in such a way that it would not appear to pertain in any way to the lady.

Meeting Durier at a ball, Tracy, while both were dancing, Durier with Mme. Dalmatire, purposely shoved him. Durier cast an irritated glance at him, but paid no further attention to the matter. Tracy guided his partner again near Durier and brought about another collision. This time he scowled at Durier, as if to accuse him of being at fault in the matter.

As soon as the music stopped the two men went to another room, where each accused the other of purposely running against him in the dance. Tracy was coolly abusive, tantalizing his enemy into a passion. Finally the latter at a contemptuous remark of Tracy's turned on his heels with the words "You shall hear from me" and, seeking a friend, sent a challenge by him. The episode was witnessed by several persons, who gave the cause as it appeared on the surface.

Dueling at that time was the acknowledged method among gentlemen, especially in the south, of settling disputes, and there was a grove not far from the Crescent City where the duels took place. It was arranged that at sunrise the next morning the parties should meet at this grove and settle at the pistol's mouth which of the two men had joggled the other in the dance. Whether Durier suspected the real cause did not appear.

But there was one person who saw through Tracy's act and had learned the consequences shortly after the words that passed between the two men. Tracy was living in bachelor rooms at the time, and he had scarcely got home from the ball when who should appear but Mme. Dalmatire.

"This affair between you and Mr. Durier must not take place. Why did you not make your demands on me instead of picking this quarrel with him?"

"I do not understand you, madame." She looked at him keenly for a time, then said: "What do you wish me to do?"

"Nothing."

"My eyes have been opened. I assure you I am perfectly innocent. I will agree never to receive your enemy again. Apologize to him and end the matter between you and him."

"Are you aware that such a course would cause me to be cut by every friend I have?"

"Oh, heavens!"

"You fear that the real cause of the quarrel will be learned by the world."

"I do."

"Very well. I will send an apology to Durier at once."

She seized his hand and kissed it, then, turning, left him.

The next day Tracy told his benefactor that he had determined to return to New York. Dalmatire endeavored to dissuade him, but without effect. He departed soon after the episode to escape the contempt of the entire social set of New Orleans. Mme. Dalmatire gave up many of her social ties and devoted herself to her husband.

Where did he take a temple, the Devil will have a chapel.

Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.

Fate of the Hampden Railroad—Walker and Brown Issue—Cushing's Views Stated—Appropriation for Unemployed.

BOSTON, February 1.—It is a question what will be the fate of the Hampden county railroad under the provisions of the reorganization bill pending before the Legislature. The trustees of the Boston and Maine railroad, appointed by the National government, with former Chief Justice Marcus P. Knowlton of Springfield at their head, have expressed themselves upon this point in their general plan, giving the road a status with the Boston and Maine. The matter has come before the railroad committee on the petition of the company for extension to 1920 of the time for building its lines to Chicopee Falls and to Holyoke, and also for leave to sell its property to some other railroad company or to buy some other company. There was an appearance before the committee of Henry W. Ely and former Attorney General Herbert Parker as counsel for the Hampden railroad company.

While they were not authorized to advocate any direct plan, they let it be known that it is the purpose of the corporation to carry out the original plan of having the line leased to the Boston and Maine. But that plan was made when the Boston and Maine was linked up with the New Haven, and the Hampden line was to be a connecting link between the New Haven system and the Central Massachusetts, whereby the cars of the New Haven could run through to the north station in Boston and thence, if desired, to the summer resorts down East or in the White Mountains, so that New Yorkers need not change cars. Evidently such a plan would give high value to these 15 miles of connecting link. Aside from such use, they would not be nearly as valuable. It is a matter of large importance, therefore, for the owners of this property, whether or not it will be developed according to the original plan. Of course there is a large local interest. The people of Holyoke and Chicopee Falls fear that they will be cheated somehow, and they are nominally against either of the petitions of the corporation. At the same time, Senator Sheehan of Holyoke and Representative Ryan of Holyoke and Representative Buckley of Chicopee, who nominally opposed the petitions, said they only wanted to make sure that the tracks were built to Holyoke and Chicopee Falls, according to the first purpose. It would seem, therefore, as if they ought to support the petitions, instead of opposing them.

There is a great deal of complication and opposition, and nobody can tell what is the real inside of the situation. Strong financial interests are back of the bills, but William B. Lawrence, the largest stockholder of the Boston and Maine, who has always opposed the union with the New Haven and all other schemes of the management, is against the proposition also, and he has the support of the interests which have been playing politics with the matter. So it is a much mixed case.

Seeing that Representative Chapman of Ludlow, Master of the State Grange, is so much identified with the defense of Commissioner Walker of the department of animal industry, it will be of interest in that neighborhood to call attention to the action of the Boston Market Gardeners' Association at its meeting recently. They have taken up the cudgel strongly for Walker. Resolutions have been passed denouncing the method by which Walker was treated to star chamber proceedings. Mention is made of the freedom which was accorded to George Albree of Concord to attack Mr. Walker, while a friend of Walker, who was present, was shut off without an opportunity to be heard. There is no question that the case of Gerry Brown has stiffened the courage of the Walker men, for Brown has been under fire of the hottest sort. There seems to have been a conspiracy to smirch him and to throw him out on the cold world as an unfit man morally for the position of supervisor of the state loan agency. But he has met every accusation frankly, fully and fearlessly, and has cleared himself absolutely in the opinion of most of the spectators of the incidents. It ought to be brought out what is the real inside of the situation and whether the loan sharks, who are pictured as the most undesirable sort of gentry, are to be allowed to blacken the character of the state official whose duty it is to make them treat their victims decently. Gov. Walsh has suffered much loss of prestige in connection with the Brown affair. There has been no report by the committee on rules on the investigation of Brown, or Walker, or the pardon of John A. Hall, the Southbridge defaulter. There will be a lot of politics in each case, if the investigation is held. While the Legislature, making use of its political opportunities, try to hurt the democracy, or will the time and money demanded by three investigations lead them to drop the inquiries? These are the questions pending, besides the issues of justice to Brown and Walker.

Lient. Gov. Cushing takes occasion of his speech to night at a dinner of the Methodist Social Union to explain his attitude on the A. P. A. issue. He is himself a strict Episcopalian, presumably. He made the explanation in consequence of editorials in the Springfield Republican and the Boston Transcript, charging that he was supported by the A. P. A. element in the state and that his candidacy would bring that issue to the front. He tells in a very candid way, seemingly, what his views are and what the position of the people of Massachusetts and the United States is. But it is to be noticed that he leaves a hole through which he can escape by saying that he has never sympathized with "unjust" attacks upon the Catholic church. That same ground might be taken by the most ardent A. P. A. member, by protesting that none of their attacks were "unjust" but only a fair statement of facts. There is no doubt that Cushing got thousands of votes last fall by his stand for the constitutional amendment against sectarian appropriations. As a matter of fact, it is known that McCall holds the same views as Cushing regarding the separation of church and state, and it was put up to him just before the big Republican rally in Music Hall last November that he ought to come out publicly. His reply was that to do so would look like injecting the religious issue into the campaign and he would not take such a step. The Catholic position has been in favor of such appropriations. It isn't long since the Carney hospital appropriation of \$10,000 was an issue before the Legislature of much bitterness, and every Catholic voted for it, and many Protestants also gave their vote for it on the ground that it rendered genuine service to the state. Cushing is playing good politics and it is quite possible that he will make points by reason of his speech to-night. He is far more alert as a candidate than McCall, and the latter's friends who want him to win must do more work for him than Cushing's friends will be called upon to do for him. McCall regards the proprieties and traditions more than Cushing. It looks like a hot contest before it is settled. John D. Long believes that McCall should be nominated for first place and Cushing for second, and there are other Republican leaders who take the same view.

The House has had its first flare-up over partisan politics. Representative Hull of Great Barrington charged on the floor of the House that the hard times are due to the Democratic tariff and that the passage of the pending appropriation of \$100,000, in two bills, for giving work to the unemployed would be so much help by the Republicans for the Democrats. This started up the resentment of the Democrats and they hurled back the imputation with force. But when it came to the real question whether the appropriation should be made for the sake of giving work to the workless, the House was almost unanimous for it. Thus party politics went down in the presence of the wants of humanity and the tales of starving families who would be relieved by the passage of the appropriation.

One fact brought out by Mr. Hull is of importance, that the appropriations this year are \$781,000 ahead of those last year for the same purposes, on a basis of about \$6,000,000, and that they are over \$800,000 behind the figures of the departments concerned. Hence it looks as if the state tax would be high this year.

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A BALKAN EPISODE

By LOUISE B. CUMMINGS

The Balkan states are half a dozen little kingdoms that have been fighting one another from time immemorial, and all of them have been fighting the Turk. If the many occurrences in the Balkans of a romantic nature could be gathered together there would be enough of them to supply story tellers for hundreds of years. The following is a sample:

Not far from Adrianople there lived a country girl named Tarissa. She was a Christian inhabiting a region ruled by the Turks. Tarissa's home was just south of the border line between Turkey and Roumelia. One day a party of Roumelians headed by a young man, Boris Lovatz, came down the valley of the Maritza river in pursuit of a band of Turks who had carried off some Roumelian women. Before his return he had met Tarissa and there had resulted a love affair. Lovatz was successful in rescuing the women he had come for and went back into Roumelia.

Had it not been for having met Tarissa he might never have come into Turkey again and been safe from the revenge due him for the rescue. But there is no risk a man will not take for love, and it was not long before he was again across the border on a visit to his sweetheart. Indeed he came so often that it got out among the Turks that this enemy had been captivated by a girl and was making periodical visits to her. So a watch was set for him.

One day the spy who was selected for this service went to a Turkish officer who was on duty in the neighborhood and told him that Boris was with Tarissa. The officer directed several of his men to mount their horses, and, placing himself at their head, he rode toward the hamlet where Tarissa lived. Dusk was falling, and the Turk, before reaching the hamlet, directed his men to remain where they were and rode forward alone to reconnoiter, for he knew that Boris was as slippery as an eel and if he was aware that a force was coming to take him he would be off like the wind.

When near Tarissa's home the officer approached cautiously, and since it was dark he reached a window without being seen. In the room into which he looked were Boris and Tarissa. Boris was trying to induce the girl to go back with him and become his wife. She hesitated since he was marked for destruction in Turkey and could never come back with her to her home. So intent were they with each other that they did not notice the appearance of the Turk at the window till they heard a click and, looking up, saw him leveling a pistol at Boris.

The Roumelian realized that he was doomed and, preferring to die by a bullet without being tortured, as he doubtless would be if he were captured, put his hand to his hip for a weapon. But he had unclasped his belt and laid it on a chair. Tarissa saw his eye turn toward the chair, and anticipating his intention to die defending himself, she threw herself between him and his weapon.

This placed her between the officer and her lover. Since the former could not shoot without killing her he sprang in through the window and, covering Boris, called on him to surrender. There was nothing else for the captive to do since he had nothing with which to make a defense except to induce his captor to shoot him.

The next move of the Turk was to get his prisoner to his men or his men to his prisoner. The latter was not an easy thing to do, for the men were beyond call, and he had no one to send for them. Keeping his pistol pointed toward Boris, he glanced out through the window to see if any one was near, for he was in a Christian hamlet, and if he attempted to drive his captive to his men he might get a bullet from some one of the little clump of houses.

During these few moments in which he was obliged to keep so many things in his mind there were two very important matters that he failed to grasp. One was Tarissa and the other Boris' belt, to which was slung his pistol, though he may not have seen the latter. The Turk's glance through the window enabled Tarissa to take a step backward so that by placing her hand behind her she might reach the weapon.

Not seeing any one without to send for his men, he ordered Boris to precede him through the doorway and out of the house. Boris obeyed, and as the men passed out, the Turk keeping his eyes fixed on his prisoner, Tarissa possessed herself of Boris' pistol. She now had every advantage, for she was behind the Turk. Only the knowledge that her lover would die a frightful death enabled her to kill a man in cold blood. Stealing up close to the Turk, she shot him through the head.

Boris turned, saw the Turk fall and Tarissa with a smoking pistol in her hand.

"Go," she said. "There must be others near."

Without a word he sprang on to the horse on which he had come, and as he passed out of sight the Turkish soldiers were heard coming.

Boris escaped. Tarissa hid in the darkness for a time, then set out to join him.

Neither of them ever entered Turkey again, for they knew that Boris would be killed and Tarissa would meet a worse fate. In their home in Roumelia they were safe.

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High Finance in China.

It is an established custom in China that a new company must pay dividends to its shareholders from the first years of its existence, and this forms invariably a clause of the articles of association. Some concerns which fail to realize a profit have to contract a high interest loan in order to pay dividends in full. It is this practice that compels companies to contract loan after loan until they are plunged into a helpless state. Furthermore, when a new company is established it is from the start tied down to a system of commission paying. In every purchase as well as in every sale of the company a commission goes with it, which is therefore counted into every payment and receipt, thus occasioning the need of an unnecessarily large amount of capital.—Argonaut.

Don't Use It.

Do not say a cross, disagreeable word until you have revolved it in your mind several times, and even then don't use it unless you can first try it on a wooden Indian.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

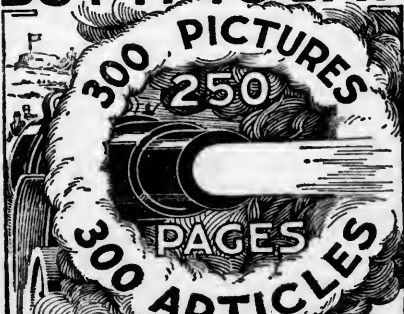
Attraction.

Fruits fall to the earth because the earth attracts them. Bubbles in a cup of tea stand around the sides of the cup because the cup attracts them. The little bubbles gather about the large ones because the large bubbles attract the smaller ones. Why do the bubbles follow a teaspoon? Because the spoon attracts them. Why are the sides of a pond covered with leaves while the middle is clear? Because the shore attracts the leaves to itself.

Those Queer Girls.

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1915.

EVERY business man and property owner should attend the appropriation meeting next Monday. The town has need of many things which should be voted, but it is no time for frills or unnecessary expenditures. The man who stays away has no right to "kick" later over the amounts appropriated.

ACCORDING to tradition—the groundhog couldn't possibly have seen his shadow on Tuesday—the backbone of the winter is broken and the bulk of the cold weather is past. But the conditions of the week so far seem to indicate that all signs fail at times—and this is one of the times.

It is hoped that the committee of 15, when it reports on the several appropriation articles at next Monday's town meeting, will give the reasons for its recommendations. The members are not going to approve or disapprove a proposition without what they consider good reasons, and the voters are entitled to know them. There has been an absence of this information at times in the past.

THE public can hardly be expected to take kindly to the curtailment of the postal service as announced by Postmaster Shaw, on orders from Washington. At its best, the postal service has been bad enough of late, and appears to be growing worse instead of better. Still, if that's the kind of service which is most satisfactory to most people, we suppose they'll keep the present officials in power until it gets so rank that a change will be welcome.

THE historic "March Town Meeting" of New England has passed away, never to return. But that does not mean that the oratory and contentions of that time-honored institution have departed. They have simply been advanced a few weeks to the first of February, and while the meetings will never acquire the fame of the past, they will be the same institutions which have existed for so many, many years, full of the argument and close scrutiny of town affairs which previously marked their deliberations.

IF, as suggested, cattle are barred from the agricultural fairs next fall on account of the foot and mouth disease, a considerable number of the agricultural societies will be apt to have hard sledding. While it is true that cattle are not the only attraction at fairs, one has only to watch the crowds around the animals at those where good cattle are shown year after year to realize that they are a strong drawing card, and that their absence is sure to have a material effect on the attendance.

Not often is there opportunity for the accomplishment of such a large measure of good for the youth of a community as is offered in the plan of church co-operation outlined on the first page of this paper. The great need has been recognized for a long time, and the impossibility of supplying it deeply regretted. There has been no suitable place, and the cost has been prohibitive. Here is an opportunity to secure what is so urgently needed at little or no greater expense than is now necessary for the running of two churches. It ought not to be allowed to slip away. And it is not believed that it will be, for the best men of the town are rallying to the movement, plainly seeing the far-reaching possibilities for unlimited good. A tentative plan has been suggested and the committees from the two churches may be trusted to formulate a final agreement under which both can work together to much greater advantage than separately. It is to be borne in mind that this movement is not one to unite two churches in a pact from which there is no withdrawing. On the contrary it is a proposition to form an entirely new organization. It is frankly an experiment, which may be abandoned at any time if desired.

Palmer Grange will meet on Friday of next week. The program will be: Song by Grange; paper, "The Life of Lincoln," Miss Helen Bradley; music, F. L. Jones; paper, "What is the Characteristic of a Good Citizen and How Can We Help Our Young People to Become Good Citizens?" Mrs. Charles Lanphear; song by Grange.

PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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Mail Collections Reduced.

Beginning Next Monday, One in Residence Section to be Dropped.

Because of an order from the post office department at Washington to cut down expenses, Postmaster Shaw announces a discontinuance of one mail collection daily in the residential section of the town, beginning next Monday. The collection discontinued will be the one now being made at 5 o'clock in the morning.

There are now three collections daily in the residential section, the first at 5 a. m., and the others by the carriers when they make their regular forenoon and afternoon deliveries of mail. It is the first collection which will be cut out. The collections in the business section will be made as usual, four times daily.

By the new arrangement there will be no collection from the street mail boxes between the afternoon trip of the carriers and their trip the next forenoon, a period of about 18 hours. Persons who have important mail which they wish to leave by the early morning trains will be obliged, after the carriers have made their afternoon round, to go to the post office with their letters; if it is after 8 at night mail may be dropped into the box on the inside of the office, as this is opened the first thing in the morning. The new order will not affect the 4 o'clock collection Sunday afternoons; this will continue to be made as usual.

The order to reduce expenses is made in anticipation of a deficit in the receipts of the postal department. Postmaster Shaw expects to have to do other "trimming" later, but does not know yet along just what line it will be ordered.

Engagement is Announced.

The following, taken from a Portland, Maine, paper, will be of interest to the many friends of the young man in this place: "Mrs. Cora J. Bishop of Portland, Me., has announced the engagement of her daughter, Beatrice Evelyn Bishop, to Warren Arthur Roper of Palmer, Mass. Mr. Roper was formerly a member of the Kents Hill faculty, but is now a commercial teacher in Torrington, Ct., while Miss Bishop is studying at the Maine Wesleyan Seminary, Kent's Hill, Maine."

Rev. J. E. Enman of Thorndike will preach in Palmer Center Sunday afternoon at 3.30.

The Woman's Tuesday Club will meet next week with Mrs. W. H. Fuller of School street.

George French of Meriden, Ct., spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Lee of Central street.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil French of Lynn have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Butts of Park street.

Mrs. Arthur Hamilton and daughter Marion, of Winchendon, are visiting Mrs. Robert Stevenson of North Main street.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold their annual sale and salad supper on the afternoon and evening of February 15.

Rev. Dr. F. A. Warfield, who is spending the winter with relatives in town, preached in the Congregational church Sunday morning.

The ladies of the Congregational church met in the church parlors at 2.30 this afternoon to sew, and held a business meeting at 4 o'clock.

Mrs. Mary Nelson of Tenneyville fell on the ice recently and sustained severe injuries. She was taken to the Wing Memorial Hospital for treatment.

Miss C. J. Fish of the Swampscott Commercial High School faculty, will come to her home on Walnut street to-morrow evening for the week-end.

Mrs. Michael St. John and daughter Emma, who have been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Roy Vincent of Pittsfield, have returned to their home on Thorndike street.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hendricks and son of Glade Springs, Va., have been guests this week of Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Potter of Squier street. Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Hendricks are sisters.

The committee of 15, appointed to consider the appropriation articles in the town warrant, will hold a meeting in the selectmen's room in the memorial building this evening.

The Palmer Woman's Club will hold its annual Guest Night to-morrow evening in Masonic Hall. The entertainment will be by Miss Erdine Cowlshaw, reader, and Mr. Raymond C. Hodge, tenor.

The ladies of St. Mary's Episcopal Mission will hold a food sale next Wednesday afternoon from 2 until 5 o'clock, in the store of Sam'l Brooks in the post office block, for the benefit of the Wing Memorial Hospital.

Owing to the storm of Tuesday evening the meeting of the Palmer Historical Society was postponed until the regular meeting time next month, when Mrs. Fuller will present the paper on the Navajo Indians prepared for Tuesday evening.

Result of Monday's Election.

Two New License Commissioners. C. E. Fuller Elected Assessor.

Palmer's annual town election Monday developed nothing of particular interest beyond the fight for license commissioners and the contest for the position of assessor for two years to fill a vacancy. The result was the election of two new members on the board of license commissioners, Messrs. Burdick and Garvey, and the winning out of Charles E. Fuller of Palmer for assessor over Michael J. Sullivan Jr. of Thorndike by the narrow margin of 31 votes. It is surmised that the election of two new members of the license commission means some changes in the license holders May 1st.

The day was a disagreeable one for voting, rain falling and freezing to snow already on the ground, making anything but pleasant going for pedestrians. In spite of this there was a large vote out, 1147 out of a possible 1425. Precinct C was the first to be heard from, at 4.05; A was second at 4.23; and B a close third at 4.30; the returns from D did not arrive until 6.20.

The vote in detail follows, a star indicating election:

Selectmen.				
	B	C	D	Total
*H. W. Brainerd.	350	173	180	903
*C. D. Holden.	389	175	172	936
*W. E. McDonald.	401	172	170	943
*J. J. Fitzgerald.	394	163	168	905
Town Clerk, 3 Years.				
*J. F. Foley.	437	185	183	1005
Blanks.	131	76	57	264
Treasurer.				
*G. E. Clough.	405	175	174	954
Blanks.	123	66	68	257
Assessor, 3 Years.				
*John O. Hamilton.	404	177	161	942
Blanks.	121	84	79	284
Assessor, 2 Years.				
*C. E. Fuller.	313	79	89	481
*M. J. Sullivan Jr.	160	149	119	428
Blanks.	55	33	32	120
Overseer of Poor, 3 Years.				
*Charles Giroux.	359	184	196	939
Blanks.	169	77	44	290
School Committee, 3 Years.				
*J. F. Roche.	376	171	161	908
*W. B. Kerigan.	349	167	144	860
Blanks.	331	164	173	868
School Committee, 2 Years.				
*G. A. Moore.	389	168	165	922
Blanks.	139	93	75	297
Board of Health, 3 Years.				
*W. C. Hitchcock.	349	143	155	847
Blanks.	179	119	85	383
Tax Collector.				
*J. A. Hawkes.	357	155	179	931
Blanks.	141	106	61	308
Highway Surveyor.				
*C. T. Brainerd.	380	180	168	928
*S. J. Jozczak.	97	126	90	313
Blanks.	54	27	20	101
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 Years.				
*S. M. Phillips.	296	168	165	829
Blanks.	232	158	135	525
License Commissioners.				
*William Burdick.	358	99	120	577
*E. J. Duncan.	245	91	113	449
*P. H. Garvey.	287	106	114	507
*Harry Alexander.	198	149	102	449
*W. C. Allen.	516	37	89	642
*J. Clifford Shaw.	216	138	167	521
Blanks.	178	133	93	404
Auditors.				
*E. W. Carpenter.	323	133	135	591
*C. K. Gamwell.	345	139	130	614
Blanks.	361	259	215	835
Constables.				
*G. A. Bliss.	358	114	119	591
*Michael Collins.	230	135	101	466
*Delvin Fortier Sr.	196	101	101	398
*Thomas Holt Jr.	233	98	113	444
*J. L. Manning.	238	106	117	461
*J. F. Mansfield.	225	90	64	379
*E. F. McKelligott.	284	181	102	567
Blanks.	776	480	102	1358
Fence Viewers.				
*J. M. Allen.	341	130	141	612
*Dennis Mahoney.	329	154	146	629
*P. M. Shearer.	341	132	134	607
Blanks.	383	365	299	1047
License.				
*Yes.	328	122	131	581
*No.	158	57	81	336
Blanks.	41	32	28	101

The subject of the sermon at the Congregational church Sunday morning will be, "The Changed Life." There will be an important announcement by the pastor concerning the proposed plan of church co-operation.

The Heweha Campfire Girls held a ceremonial meeting Monday evening at the home of Miss Dorothy Buck. Honors were awarded and the regular business of the meeting discussed. Unexpected and delicious refreshments were served, and an enjoyable evening was spent by all.

More ideal conditions for sleighing could hardly be imagined. A smooth foundation, covered with a thin coating of ice, followed by three or four inches of moist snow which later froze hard, topped by two or three inches of light snow makes the best going ever for runners.

The first meeting of the Music Students' Club, which was to have been at the home of Mrs. S. R. Carsley next Monday evening, has been postponed one week and will be held Monday evening, Feb. 15. Miss Alice Clark has charge of the program, and all active members will be expected to contribute to it.

A feature of the entertainment to be given by the Woman's Relief Corps in Memorial Hall at its annual celebration of Washington's Birthday, will be a cherry tree. George and Martha Washington will be in charge of the tree, which will be loaded with cherries, each cherry bearing a number. The numbers will be sold and each number will entitle the holder to a mystery package.

Two employees of the Central Massachusetts Electric Company had a narrow escape when an auto in which they were riding caught fire yesterday afternoon. The men were on the Ware road near the fish hatchery when the car became disabled. After repairs had been made it was started up again, but back-fired through the carburetor and the machine was instantly in flames. Chief Summers was telephoned to and went to their assistance with an auto and chemical extinguishers, with which he put out the flames. The car was towed to the Woodmont garage.

May Answer Out-of-Town Calls.

District Nurse May Assist Physicians in Other Towns.

At a meeting of the directors of the Palmer Association for District Nursing, held Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ellen S. Leach of Church street, it was voted to permit the district nurse to respond to calls from physicians outside of Palmer, provided the usual fees and expenses are paid, and that the regular work of the nurse is not interfered with thereby. There have been numerous calls of this nature in the past, but the rules of the association did not permit the nurse to attend. The association feels, however, that the work should be on as broad a basis as possible, and so will in the future permit such services under the regulations provided.

The association will have a food sale on Friday afternoon of next week, to which all who are interested in the work of the association are invited to contribute. The sale will be at 3 o'clock in the store of Whitcomb & Faulkner on Main street.

William E. Hanley of Stafford Springs has many friends in town who will be pleased to learn that he has been appointed postmaster at Stafford Springs. Mr. Hanley conducted a shoe store in Palmer for a time.

Quaint Old Harvard Rules.
Quaint rules and customs regulated class days at Harvard university in the seventeenth century, for in 1661 the overseers ordered that the president "from time to time commend it to the parents and guardians of the students that commence that they provide not above one gallon of wine for a student, judging it to be sufficient for that occasion." In 1693, "the corporation having been informed that the custom taken up in the college for the commencing to have plum cake is dishonorable to the college, not grateful to wise men and chargeable to the parents of the commencing, do therefore put an end to that custom." In 1727 a private commencement was determined upon and was observed for several years, but was not a success. The laws of 1734 provided that "no commencing shall have at his chambers any plum cake, plain cake or pies or hot meats of any kind except what is left of the dinner in the hall or any brandy, rum or distilled liquors or composition made with any of them."

Modern Necessities.
"One of the reasons for the cost of living," observes a wise clubman, "lies in the fact that people buy wholly unnecessary things. I had a conversation with the proprietor of a novelty shop in Fifth avenue a few days ago. A shiny object had attracted my attention, and I inquired about its use. "Those," said the proprietor, "are gilded pincers to pick up letters one has placed on the letter scales. "And that ivory stick, carved and forked at the end? "People use that to fish out things they have dropped into carafes. "That square of morocco about the size of a nut; what is that for? "That's a tampon—used to press down stamps after sticking them on envelopes. "That ornamental box with a whole battery of little brushes? "Those are to clean other brushes; brushes to clean hairbrushes, brushes to clean toothbrushes."—New York Post.

Stratagem Versus Perfidy.
The laws of war have always distinguished sharply between stratagem and perfidy. It is a legitimate stratagem to send bogus signals and telegraph messages and bogus dispatches or newspapers, to be intercepted by the enemy; to make use of the enemy's signals, bugle calls, watchwords and words of command or to clothe the men of a single unit in the uniform of several units, so that the prisoners and dead may give the idea of a large force. On the other hand, it is perfidy to take advantage of the enemy by deliberate lying or deception when there is a moral obligation to speak the truth. It would be perfidy, for instance, to pretend an armistice when none had been agreed on, to break a suspension of arms by surprise, to violate a safe conduct or any other true or agreement, to fire on the enemy's uniform.—London Opinion.

The Red Sea Route.
When Napoleon invaded Egypt by way of Suez he attempted to cross the Red sea at the spot assigned by tradition to the crossing of the Children of Israel. He and his horsemen, however, seem, unintentionally, to have imitated Pharaoh rather than Moses, for they came very near to being drowned. According to French accounts, Napoleon saved his army by his presence of mind, ordering his cavalry to scatter in every direction to multiply the chances of coming on shallow water, and thus finding a line by which he and his people were extricated. The people of Suez, says Kinglake, declare that Napoleon lost his horse, got thoroughly submerged and was only fished ashore by the assistance of the natives.—London Standard.

Mean Brutal.
"The men are always prating about man's inhumanity to man," observed Mrs. Gabb. "What have they to complain about?" "Plenty," growled Mr. Gabb. "Eight out of every ten married men go around trying to get single men into trouble by advising them to get married."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Cake Tins	Cuspidor	Toaster	25c
Skimmers	Horn	WireWaste Basket	50c
Pie Tins	Spoon	Extension Bowl	
Soap Racks	Cake Turner	Strainer	15c
Cups	Tea Strainer	Round dish drainer	50c
Tea Pot Stand	Iron Pot Chain		
Jelly Cake Pan	Bread Pan		
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SIX young hen turkeys, 7 months old; one Gobbler, one and one-half years old; Brown Strain. Price right.
G. JOHNSON, Palmer.

WANTED—Hens, calves, and cows. Will pay good price. Notify by postal card.
E. GOLDBERG, Three Rivers.

FOR SALE—Good Cook Stove, Art Square. Couch and other furniture; inquire
112 PARK STREET, Palmer.

FOR SALE—About 15 tons Upland Hay, price reasonable. Stored in Wares.
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WANTED—Stenography, bookkeeping, or general office work; 8 years' experience; best of references.
"STENOGRAPHER," Journal Office.

FOR SALE—Franklin Typewriter, in good running order; for sale at a bargain. Have no further use for same; is reason of selling.
E. L. WHITCOMB, R. D. No. 3, Palmer.

FOR SALE—My farm of 140 acres; 7-room house, orchard, 40 acres of timber 25 years' growth, running water in house and barn.
M. J. SULLIVAN, Thorndike.

WANTED—Horse, suitable for farm work. Must be fairly good driver, and weigh from 1150 to 1250 lbs. Address, giving full description, price, etc.
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PUBLIC AUCTION.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a license of the Probate Court for the County of Hampden, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated October 7th, 1914, will be sold at public auction on Saturday, February 13th, 1915, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises hereinafter described, the CHAIRS, FURNITURE, PAINT, and other contents of the westerly side of the Thorndike Road in the Depot Village of Palmer in said county, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stone monument on the road leading from said Thorndike Road to Barretts at the northeasterly corner of land now or formerly of J. K. Knox; thence WESTERLY on said Knox's land about five hundred thirty-five (355) feet to a stone and stones on easterly line of land late of Lathrop Merrick, now of one Connor; thence SOUTHERLY on said Connor's land following an old fence; thence EASTERLY on said Connor's land following said old fence; thence NORTHWESTERLY on same old fence now or formerly of one Purkey; thence EASTERLY on said Purkey's land along an old fence to a stone and stones; thence NORTHERLY on same old fence to an old road leading from the McGowan place to the house of the widow Burleigh; thence on said road to a stake and stones on land now or formerly of D. B. Matthews; thence SOUTHEASTERLY on said Matthews' land to a stake and stones; thence EASTERLY on same to land now or formerly of F. Morgan; thence SOUTHERLY and EASTERLY on said Morgan's land to said Thorndike Road; thence on said Thorndike Road and said road leading therefrom to Barretts to the place of beginning.

Supposed to contain fifty-five (55) acres, more or less, with the buildings thereon standing.

Terms made known at the time and place of sale.

STEPHEN S. TAFT Jr., Commissioner.
31 Elm Street, Springfield, Mass.

DWIGHT B. WINTER, Auctioneer.
January 27th, 1915.

Tommy Atkins.

The use of the name Tommy Atkins, applying to the British soldiers, dates back to the Indian mutiny. In 1857 when the rebellion broke out in Lucknow all the Europeans fled to the Residency. On their way they came upon a private of the Thirty-second regiment (Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry) on sentry duty at an outpost. They urged him to make his escape with them, but he would not do so and was killed. His name happened to be Thomas Atkins, and so throughout the mutiny campaign when a daring deed was done the doer was said to be "a regular Tommy Atkins."—Exchange.

Barriers.

She—I've just thought of an excellent plan for fostering better manners at the theater. He—What is it? She—Put all the fat men on the end seats and get them so interested in the performance that they will not leave their seats between the acts.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Sartorial Sameness.

"Washington isn't so picturesque as it used to be."

"Why not, pray?"

"Statesmen have modified their dress to such an extent that they now look much like other people."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Seeking the Man.

"His is a case of where the office seeks the man."

"That so?"

"Yes; he's wanted by men from the sheriff's office."—Buffalo Express.

Lucky to Be Poor.

Caller—How much for a marriage license? Town Clerk—One dollar. Caller—I've only got 50 cents. Town Clerk—You're lucky.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Night brings out stars as sorrow shows us truths.—Bailey.

One and Two.

Charming Widow—And what are you doing nowadays? Mr. Bach—Looking out for number one. And you? Charming Widow—Oh, I'm looking out for number two!—Houston Post.

A Puzzle.

Bacon—There's one thing I can't understand. Egbert—What is that? Bacon—When a couple get married they become one. But they say it takes two to make a quarrel.

Rebuked.

"Guilty or not guilty?" asked a Dutch justice of a prisoner.

"Not guilty."

"Den vat you rant here? Go about your business!"

Free speech is a precious right, and so is free action. But the tongue has no more right than the hand to abuse its freedom.

High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

Miss Wyman spent the week-end with friends in Chicopee Falls.

The boys held basketball practise Monday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.

The Senior Play actors have been busy learning their parts and rehearsing this week.

Marion Huling has entered school as a member of the Sophomore class, to pursue the classical course.

In the mid-year spelling examination for the Classical Seniors, Miss Collins and Mr. Lyon did 100 per cent work.

James Royce has been elected property manager for the Senior Play, which will be given next Thursday evening.

Fire drill was held last Thursday morning. The time was very slow, over 40 seconds, the worst record of the year.

Misses Buck, Collins and Morse of the fourth year spelling class obtained a rank of 100 per cent for the month of January.

The seniors held a food sale to-day at recess, for the benefit of the Washington trip fund. A comfortable sum was realized.

The girls held basketball practise Monday and Wednesday afternoons in Cercle Canadian Hall, Three Rivers. The squad was fairly large both days.

A new schedule has been arranged for the chemistry class. Beginning next Monday there will be three laboratory periods and two recitations a week, instead of three recitations and two laboratory periods.

All material for the next number of "The Palmer" must be handed in by February 15. This number is devoted more than others to the underclasses, and the last number of the year is almost exclusively a Senior issue.

The basketball team will play the Easthampton High quintet in Union Hall, Thorndike, to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock. The boys expect to give the visitors a better game than before. There will be a preliminary.

School was dismissed at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning, as the village pupils were unable to come, the electric cars being unable to get through. The Bondsville pupils failed to attend school Wednesday, as the tracks had not been cleared for the cars.

The Senior English class held an informal debate Friday morning on "The Practicability of Basketball in the School." The affirmative effectively proved that basketball was a decided success. Even in its infancy—its first year—the team has won seven out of 12 games and has more than paid expenses.

The Palmer Historical Society has invited four high school pupils to speak April 6 upon the part Palmer patriots have played in the four principal wars of the United States. Mr. Hurley has appointed Elythe Twiss '15, Walter Mansfield '15, Lawrence Martin P. G., and Roger Holden '15, all members of the American history class, to comply with the request. There will be three 25-minute speeches and one 15-minute talk.

The monthly assembly committee has drawn up a program for the February assembly, to be held some evening in the week of February 21 in Memorial Hall. An additional feature will be the presentation of a short play by the Sophomores. The program: Remarks by chairman, Ardell Rich '16; Music; "The One Hundred Years' Peace Between Great Britain and the United States." Raymond Holden; "A Few Landmarks in Our Town." Helen Newbury '16; recitation, Clarence Rice '17; "Has the Work of Peace Societies and Conferences been in Vain?" Roger Holden '15; music; "The Soldier's Reprieve," cast: "Abraham Lincoln," Ralph Sizer '17; "Farmer Owen," Reginald Kempton '17; "Bennie Owen," John Daley '17; "Rev. James Allen," Raymond Tucker '17; "Blossom Owen," Beatrice Dennis '17.

The girls' basketball squad met at recess Monday morning in the Junior room, and elected a committee consisting of Rubie Jones '15, Alice Smith '16, and Catherine Collins '15, to make plans for a social to be held for the benefit of the Athletic Association, in the Thorndike grammar school hall. The girls intend to make the affair a Valentine party, and to hold it this evening. Tickets are being sold in the school and an elaborate program has been arranged. Some of the pupils will entertain, games will follow, and the rest of the evening will be spent in dancing to the music of a graphanola. During the course of the evening valentine boxes of lunch will be auctioned off, the buyer eating with the girl who put up the repast. To show their appreciation of the splendid spirit the boys have shown towards girls' athletics, the girls intend to not only pay their basketball expenses, but to put more money into the treasury than has been taken out for them.

Palmer High School students have been invited to join a National Reading Circle, organized by the U. S. Bureau of Education, for the purpose of spreading the most valuable books of all ages among all classes of people. For admission, it is only necessary to

write to the Home Education division of the Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., giving name, address, age, and a brief statement of education and occupation. There are several courses. For the first, members must read each book twice within three years from the time of joining, notifying the bureau on the completion of reading any of the books. To all giving satisfactory evidence of having read all the books, a certificate will be awarded bearing the seal of the Bureau and signed by the commissioner of education. Some of the best professors of most advanced universities assist in directing the course. Mr. Hobson has purchased for the public library four copies each of the following books, which comprise the first courses. The Iliad and Odyssey of Homer; The Divine Comedy of Dante; Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice, Macbeth, Hamlet and Othello; and Goethe's Faust. Other courses, more advanced, are pursued under the same conditions and results as the first.

A Fateful Game of Chess.

It is a Spanish tradition that the fate of Columbus overhung on a game of chess. For years the great navigator had haunted the Spanish court, trying to interest some one in his plans, but at last he determined to abandon the country and visit France. The night before his intended departure he sought an audience with the queen to communicate his intentions and to take his leave. The queen asked him to wait while she made another effort to interest the king. She found Ferdinand engaged at a game of chess and, disturbing him by her entrance, caused him to lose a piece. Annoyed and irritated by the incident, the king, after rudely denouncing Columbus and his schemes, informed Isabella that the result of the petition would depend on the result of the game. It grew worse, and the chances were all against the launching of the expedition. But the queen, overlooking the board, whispered to her august spouse a suggestion relative to a move that would be advantageous. The king followed the advice, the complexion of the game was quickly reversed, and Columbus' dream of years was realized at last.

Prolific Fungi.

An average sized mushroom will produce as many as 1,300,000,000 spores, and a common toadstool shaggy cap has been shown to produce as many as 5,000,000,000. Fortunately for the other inhabitants of the world, however, the probability of successful growth of any given spore is somewhat remote.

The mushroom or toadstool plant is formed by fine filamentous threads which ramify beneath the soil, and if we assume that a successful plant of the mushroom or shaggy caps produces as many as ten mushrooms or toadstools we find that the chance against successful growth to maturity is respectively about 13,000,000,000 and 50,000,000,000 to one in the two species mentioned. Even more prolific than the mushrooms and toadstools proper is the giant puffball, a large specimen of which has been known to produce as many as 7,000,000,000,000 spores.—London Knowledge.

Empty Compliments.

Fifty years or more ago Sir Harry Smith, after whose wife Lady Smith was named, was governor of Cape Colony, and led a number of campaigns against the Kaffirs. Returning from a particularly lively one, he held a review of his troops, who were in a most dilapidated condition—barefooted, ragged and half starving.

When the time came for him to say a few words he lavished praise upon them, dwelling upon their bravery, endurance and even upon their soldierlike appearance.

This last compliment was too much for the patience of the old color-sergeant. He stepped forward—tattered and unkempt—saluted most respectfully and then said:

"Begging your pardon, Sir 'Arry, we don't want no gammon; we want boots!"

This outspoken criticism was fortunately taken in good part and shortly afterward the men got their boots.—London Scraps.

Bedlam.

The word "bedlam" is a corruption of the word "Bethlehem" and originated as a synonym for chaos at the time when the house of Bethlehem, occupied by a sisterhood of London, became an insane asylum. The treatment of the insane in the early part of the sixteenth century was not well understood, and, according to the theories then prevalent, it was necessary to frighten the patient out of his lunacy. All sorts of awful expedients were resorted to, among them "surprise floors," which slipped from under the feet; "surprise baths" and floggings at the periods of most severe illness; hence the name "bedlam," the result of incorrect spelling possibly, came easily to stand for awful things.

Weight of Air.

There is no uniform weight for air. For instance, say the weight of a cubic foot of air at sea level is 1.700 grains, with the pressure removed, by its elevation to an altitude of 10,000 feet, its weight would be about the half of 1.700 grains. In other words, the cubic foot at ten or twelve thousand feet above the sea would expand to two cubic feet, each of about 850 grains weight.

Social Progress.

"The Pilters are getting on rapidly, aren't they?"

"Indeed, yes. They used to employ a washerwoman, but now they have a laundress."—Woman's Home Companion.

Sporting News.

BASKETBALL.

The Almont A. C. were defeated by the Winthrop A. C. in a one-sided game Friday night in Union Hall, Thorndike. The winning team led throughout the game, and at half time the score stood 25-5. The features of the game were the accurate shooting of H. Bell, with 12 twin counters to his credit, and the close blocking of A. Phaneuf, R. Phaneuf and J. Brander. Canning played well for the losers, scoring 13 points from the 15-foot mark. The line-up:

Winthrop A. C. Almont A. C.
H. Bell, rf. lb., Bartlett, A. Phaneuf
J. Bell, lf. lb., W. Phaneuf, Bartlett
Edmunds, c. c., Hugard
A. Phaneuf, R. Phaneuf, rb.
Brander, lb. lb., W. Phaneuf, Bartlett

Score: Winthrop A. C. 51, Almont A. C. 19. Baskets from floor, H. Bell 12, C. Bell 5, Edmunds 2, Brander 2, Canning, Bartlett, Hugard. Baskets from fouls, Canning 15, C. Bell 5, H. Bell 3, Brander. Free tries missed, Canning 6, H. Bell 3, A. Phaneuf, C. Bell 2, Revere, Commes. Timer, Drechsler. Scorer, Hughes. Time, 20-minute halves.

Palmer Wins and Loses.

Palmer High's basketball team obtained another victory Wednesday evening last week in Union Hall, Thorndike, over the Holyoke High School Seconds. The local tossers won by 29 to 12. The game was decidedly rough from beginning to end. Palmer got the jump on the visitors at the start and held their lead throughout the game, the first half ending with a score of 14 to 6. In the second half the local quintet scored more baskets than in the first. Holyoke's defeat marks Palmer's seventh victory out of eleven games played. Monat and Martin featured for Palmer, and Snider and Horrigan did the best work for the visitors. The attendance was fair considering that the game came in the middle of the week. In a preliminary game the Hillside A. C. seconds defeated the Palmer High Seconds, 13 to 12. The line up for the main game was as follows:

Palmer High. Holyoke High
Lyons, Magee, lf. rb., Horrigan
Albro, Lyon, lf. lb., Sward
Monat, c. c., Lyons, Snider
Keefe, lb. lb., O'Connell
Martin, rb. lb., Abner

Score: Palmer 29, Holyoke 12. Baskets from floor, Monat 6, Martin 4, Snider 2, Horrigan 2, Lyons, O'Connell. Baskets on free tries, Albro 5, Martin 3, Horrigan 2, Snider 2, Abner 2, Lyons, Snider, O'Connell 6, Horrigan. Revere, Banister. Time, 20-minute halves.

The team came out on the short end of a hard basketball game Friday night at Easthampton. The Easthampton High quintet has a wide reputation as a last team and Palmer is not in its class. The game was one-sided from start to finish, and the final score was 60 to 7. Albro was the best tosser for Palmer, and McGrath of Easthampton was the feature of the game. The line up:

Easthampton. Palmer.
Knox, Lewonits, lf. rb., Martin
McGrath, lf. lb., Keefe
Huyler, lb., c., Monat
Kessling, Stranford, lb. lb., Albro
Lynman, rb. lf., Lyon, Magee

Score: Easthampton 60, Palmer 7. Baskets from floor, McGrath 7, Knox 5, Lyon 3, Huyler 4, Kessling 3, Lewonits 2, Boas 2, Albro 2, Monat. Baskets on free tries, Knox 3, Albro 3, Free tries missed, Revere, Fuller, Revere, Banister. Time, 20-minute halves.

Monson Academy Loses First Game.

Monson Academy lost its first game of two seasons at Monson Wednesday, Pittsfield High defeating them 28 to 21. For the visitors Marvin secured seven baskets from the floor. Line-up:

Pittsfield. Monson.
Linnahan, lf. rg., Squier
Nichols, lf. lf., J. Martin
Crippa, lf. c., Wenzel, McCarthy
F. Martin, rg. lf., Leahy, Cushman

Score: Pittsfield 28, Monson 21. Goals from floor, Marvin 7, Crippa 2, F. Martin, Nichols, Linnahan, McCarthy 3, Ingelhart, Leahy 2, Wenzel, Squier. Goals from fouls, Crippa 4, Ingelhart 4, J. Martin. Goals missed, Ingelhart 5, Martin 3, Crippa 3. Revere, Fuller, Fuller, Faulkner. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 300.

Monson Academy Breaks Even.

Wilbraham Academy administered the second defeat of the season to Monson Academy at Monson Saturday, though by the close margin of 24 to 23. Bolles of Wilbraham secured six baskets in the first half; McCarthy did the best work for the home team. The line-up:

Wilbraham. Monson.
Chapen, lf. rg., Leahy, Squier
Breakspear, lf. lf., Ingelhart, Martin
Bolles, c. c., Wenzel, McCarthy
Myer, lf. lf., McCarthy, Cushman
Warden, rg. lf., Martin, Ingelhart

Score: Wilbraham 24, Monson 23. Goals from floor, Bolles 6, McCarthy 3, Myer 2, Chapen, Breakspear, Ingelhart, Leahy, Wenzel. Goals from fouls, Bolles 4, Wenzel 3, Martin 2, Fuller, Timers, Faulkner and Perry. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 200.

In the preliminary the Monson Seconds trimmed the Wilbraham Seconds by one point, 17 to 16. Cushman and Johnson featured for Monson and Wiglesworth and Akahoski for the visitors. The line-up:

Monson 2ds. Wilbraham 2ds.
Johnson, lf. rg., Nagler
Cushman, Ralston, lf. lf., Hincifley
Clark, c. c., Akahoski
Fisher, rg. lf., Seaton
Cande, rg. lf., Wiglesworth, Stephens

Score: Monson 2ds 17, Wilbraham 2ds 16. Goals from floor, Johnson 2, Cushman 2, Nagler 2, Clark, Fisher, Seaton, Wiglesworth, Stephens. Goals from fouls, Cushman 5.

Wiglesworth 4, Seaton 2, Revere, Fuller, Timers, Faulkner and Perry. Time, two 20-minute halves. Attendance 200.

Thorndike A. C. Winners.

The Thorndike Athletic Club team trimmed the Chicopee Falls Knights of Columbus quintet 31 to 29 at Thorndike Saturday night in a close clean game. Thorndike led, 14 to 13, at the end of the first half. Longtime was Thorndike's best man, McGlynn and Foley featuring for the visitors. The line-up:

Thorndike. Knights.
Longtime, lf. rg., Farley
W. Sullivan, lf. lf., Shea, A. Sullivan
Monahan, Monat, c. c., M. Sullivan, Foley
Doyle, Daley, lf. lf., Foley, Isabelle
Cahill, rg. lf., McGlynn

Score: Thorndike 31, Knights 29. Goals from floor, Longtime 3, Monat 3, Cahill 3, Foley 4, Daley, W. Sullivan, McGlynn. Goals from fouls, Longtime 2, Cahill 3, Foley 3. Revere, Albro, Umpire, Gase. Time, 20-minute halves.

Palmer Beats Understudies.

The Academy Understudies were beaten by the Palmer Reserves in the preliminary, 26 to 14, in an interesting game in which Johnson and Cande featured. Line-up.

Palmer Reserves. Monson Reserves.
Sullivan, lf. rg., Cande
Canning, lf. lf., Woodruff
Erickson, c. c., Clark
Drechsler, lf. rg., Ralston, Cushman
Fagan, rg. lf., Johnson

Score: Palmer Reserves 26, Monson Seconds 14. Goals from floor, Erickson 5, Fagan 4, Sullivan 3, Canning, Johnson 3, Clark 2, Woodruff. Goals from fouls, Ralston 2, Revere, Fuller, Timers, Faulkner. Time, 15-minute halves. Attendance 300.

A Camel's Stomach.

The stomach of a camel is divided into four compartments, and the walls of these are lined with large cells, every one of which can be opened and closed at will by the means of powerful muscles, explains a writer in the Presbyterian. When a camel drinks it drinks a great deal. Indeed, it drinks for such a long time you really would think it never meant to leave off. The fact is that it is not satisfying its thirst, but is filling up its cistern as well. One after another the cells in its stomach are filled with the water, and as soon as each is quite full it is tightly closed. Then, when a few hours later the animal becomes thirsty, all that it has to do is to open one of the cells and allow the water to flow out. Next day it opens one or two more cells, and so it goes on day after day until the whole supply is exhausted. In this curious way a camel can live five or even six days without drinking at all, and so is able to travel quite easily through the desert, where the wells are often hundreds of miles apart.

Falling Bodies.

Men from the Michigan College of Mines made some interesting experiments with falling bodies in the deep vertical shaft of a copper mine at Calumet, which, says Machinery, has three of the deepest shafts in the world. The experimenters tried to drop into a box of clay 4,200 feet below two metal balls two inches in diameter, one from the center of a shaft nine feet wide and thirty feet long and one from the southwest corner of it. Neither of the balls reached the box of clay. One was never found; the other, probably the one dropped from the center, was found lodged in the timbers in the east side of the shaft, 800 feet from the surface. In fact, bodies dropped into the shaft invariably lodged in the east wall, because the earth rotates on its axis from west to east. If a load of ore were spilled into the shaft most of it would cling to the side of the shaft or land on the levels to the east.

A Newspaper Dictionary

Bury Negro—Any colored man arrested.

Engineer—The man who gets blamed for a railroad accident. (See probe.)

Gentleman Burglar—A thief with a collar. (See Raffles.)

Joy Ride—What precedes an automobile accident. (See broker.)

Loot—Goods found in a flat in Harlem.

Millionaire—A man who owns his own home. (See divorce.)

Plot—Something that is thwarted. (See foll.)

Pretty Girl—Any female.

Scanty Attire—What people escape from burning buildings in.

Sleuth—A detective in the headlines.

Society Leader—A woman who returns from Europe.

Twenty-four Hours—The period in which the police expect to catch the murderer.—Puck.

Satan's Way.

Mrs. Kilgore was the pretty young wife of the elderly village pastor. One day she went into the city with a friend and, among other things, bought a new frock.

"Another frock, my dear?" said her husband. "Did you need another?"

"Yes," said the wife, hesitatingly. "I do need it, and, besides, it was so pretty that the devil tempted me."

"But you should have said, 'Get thee behind me, Satan.' Have you forgotten that?"

"Oh, no! But that was what made the trouble, hubby dear. I said, 'Get thee behind me, Satan,' and he did, but he whispered over my shoulder, 'It just fits you beautifully in the back!' And I just had to take it then."—Harper's Magazine.

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these busy villages.

THORNDIKE.

R. B. Wakeman has started work as director of the boys' class in gymnastics.

Next Wednesday evening the Ladies' Benevolent Society will serve a turkey supper at 6.30.

The Easthamptons will play the Palmer High school basketball team at Union Hall on Friday evening.

Prof. Kelley's dancing school was postponed Tuesday evening on account of the unfavorable weather.

Anthony Tybusky has bought the Hammond farm and has moved with his family there from West Warren.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Brow of Palmer Center are receiving congratulations on the arrival of twin daughters the past week.

The Thorndike Athletics will meet the Enfield quintet in a game of basketball at Union Hall on Saturday evening.

Michael Kelley, who has been confined to his home for some days on account of an accident, was able to be about this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Thayer entertained a party of friends at whist on Saturday evening at their home on Church street.

Miss Minnie O'Connor of South Hadley Falls has been visiting for a few days this week at the home of her sister, Mrs. K. T. Loftus.

The banns of marriage between Miss Grace Miller and Jeremiah Lamery were published for the first time at St. Mary's church on Sunday.

Members of Palmer Council, K. of C., from Thorndike will go to Monson on Sunday next to attend the exemplification of the third degree in Memorial Hall.

The feast of St. Blaze was observed at St. Mary's church on Wednesday with special services at 7 a. m. and 4 and 7.30 p. m. which were attended by a large number.

Several members of Wiseman Court, Catholic Order of Foresters from this place, with invited friends attended installation at Odd Fellows Hall in Palmer on Sunday last.

Next Sunday morning Rev. J. E. Enman will take for his subject, "The Larger Aspect of God's Work in the World," and in the evening he will give the second in the series of lectures on "Famous Congregationalists," the subject being "John Winthrop." Sunday school meets at noon.

A party from this place went to Bondsville Monday evening to attend a "Briedough" party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Austin. A very pleasant evening was spent by all present, the party including guests from Holyoke, Belchertown, Bondsville and Thorndike. Refreshments and music helped make the occasion a very enjoyable one.

On account of the severe storm on Monday traffic was at a standstill on the electric car line until the first car made a trip to Palmer about 3 in the afternoon. The newspapers were delayed in reaching the village until afternoon with the exception of the Boston papers, which arrived in the morning over the Boston and Albany Ware River branch, the Springfield papers arriving in the afternoon. Pupils of the Palmer high school were unable to attend on account of the trolleys being tied up. It was the most severe storm of the season so far.

THREE RIVERS.

Albert Boiesey of Barre was the Sunday guest of his parents on Prospect street.

Emil Benge of Main street has returned from a recent visit with relatives in Boston.

H. A. Shaw of Main street was a Sunday guest of his daughter in Springfield.

Miss Minnie Cole of Anderson avenue spent the week-end with relatives in Gilbertville.

Mrs. Albert Fenton of the Belcher town road was a Sunday guest of friends in Springfield.

Miss Dorothy Buck of Palmer was a Sunday guest of Miss Edythe Twiss of Springfield street.

Miss Minnie McGowan of South Manchester was a week-end guest of relatives in this village.

Miss Grace A. Walsh of the Riverside Hotel was the week-end guest of her mother in Westfield.

Miss Helen O'Neil of Holyoke was a Sunday guest of Miss Coranna Raymond of Pleasant street.

Mrs. Annie Tracy of West Upton was a Sunday guest of her brother, James Manning of Bourne street.

Mathew Horgan of Holyoke was a week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Horgan of Main street.

Mrs. William McCullough and daughter Mary of Athol street visited Sunday with friends in Springfield.

Thomas Connor of Collinsville was a week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Connor of Palmer street.

Miss Pauline McDermott has left her position in the mill here and has

gone to Pittsfield to live with her sister.

Mrs. Charles Heidel and daughter of Springfield were guests the last of the week of Mrs. S. O. Miller of High street.

The three lower grades of the grammar school were closed all day Monday on account of the inclement weather.

Chester C. Tannebring returned the last of the week to his studies at Tufts College after a short stay with his parents here.

Joseph Bothwell of Montville spent the last of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Palmer street.

Mrs. Daniel Fogarty of Bourne street entertained her daughters, Miss Nellie Fogarty and Mrs. B. Doherty of Amherst, over the week-end.

Mrs. Edith Graves of Greenwich, formerly Miss Edith Gray of this village, was a guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Cudworth of High street.

Samuel Mason, 46, of Prospect street, died last week Wednesday in Northampton, where he has been for some months. Mr. Mason is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ella Mason, and four children, who live in this village. The funeral was held Saturday afternoon, with burial in the Four Corners cemetery. The Three Rivers freemen and Wenimissett tribe of Red Men, of which organization he was a member, attended in a body.

The program at the Cerele Canadian for the last of the week will be: Thursday, "The Perils of Pauline" in two parts, and if possible the "Mutual Girl," which was not shown last Saturday, also two reels of comedy. The last reel of the "Million Dollar Mystery" will not be shown for a few weeks, in order to give the competitors a chance to win the prize for guessing the outcome. If possible the new serial, "The Exploits of Elaine" will be obtained and started soon.

A most interesting lecture was delivered Monday evening in Pickering Hall by Peter MacQueen, the noted war correspondent. He had a large and interested audience. He spoke chiefly on the great European war. Mr. MacQueen has first-hand information, as he was following the allied forces on the battlefields of Northern France for some time, representing Leslie's Weekly. Having no permit from the ministry of war he was tried by court martial, but was acquitted and given permission to send in his reports.

BONDSDVILLE.

Storm Isolates Village.

The storm of the past few days has completely isolated this village from the other parts of the town. The snow began to fall Sunday afternoon and kept at it all night. Monday morning it had developed into a fine sleet, and trouble began for the electric cars. Each car, with the help of the snow plow, would get a little nearer the end of the line, but the quarter of twelve at noon was the first to work its full way over the slippery rails. The three lower grades had no school all day. The continued falling of the sleet Monday finished the job, and so firmly was the snow packed onto the rails that no cars could get through. Snowplow and men were put to work to clear the tracks, but owing to the tightly packed snow slow progress was made, and Four Corners had not been reached by the workers at a late hour Tuesday night. There was no school in any of the grades all day Tuesday. Wednesday morning conditions were some improved, and at a late hour in the afternoon the plow and men had covered a part of the distance between Four Corners and this village. Not for many years has the electric traffic been so tied up for two days. The high school pupils were not able to attend Tuesday and Wednesday, as the cars did not run. Tuesday the daily papers, which generally come in at 6.30 in the morning, arrived about 4 in the afternoon.

Amidee Handfield spent Sunday with relatives in Nashua, N. H.

Harold E. Albrow was a guest of friends in Springfield Saturday.

Miss Isabella Hall of Palmer was a guest Monday of Miss Myrtle McViekar.

Josiah Green of South Belchertown spent a part of last week with his son, John Green.

Paul Martin of Springfield spent the first of the week with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin.

Marrin Fitzgerald of New York was a guest over Sunday of his mother, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frame of Three Rivers were guests Saturday of Mrs. Charles Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Green were guests Saturday of Mrs. Green's aunt, Mrs. Charles Rood in Ware.

The Epworth League will hold a social this evening at the M. E. church parsonage, with Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin.

"Ye Old Boys" supper, which was planned for February 16, has been postponed until the 19th.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Bertrand and two children of Chicopee spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Laccas.

A whist party, given by the Sunday school teachers, will be held in St. Bartholomew's church next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Ollo Fairbanks and son of Springfield were week-end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell.

District Superintendent Kennedy will hold the fourth quarterly conference in the M. E. church Tuesday evening.

A business meeting of the stewards of the M. E. church was held Thursday evening at the home of V. C. Faunce.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Waterhouse and daughter Violet were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Rowland McFarlane in Chicopee.

Miss Helen Martin of King's Park Hospital, Long Island, was a guest over Sunday of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin.

Mrs. Harry Thompson of Enfield, Mrs. Willard Sedgwick and Miss Edith Thompson of Palmer were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Banister.

The Ladies' Aid met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. E. J. Loy, and are indebted to Rev. T. C. Martin for comfortable transportation by means of a horse and sleigh to the meeting place.

Mrs. George Bray returned to her home in Stafford, Ct., Friday, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Holden.

Henry St. Peter, who until recently was employed by T. D. Potter as teamster, has gone to Easthampton, where he has taken a position as carpenter.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Austin entertained at a Shrovetide party given at their home Monday evening. The guests, who were from Thorndike, Springfield, Holyoke, Williamsburg, and this village, spent the time most enjoyably in playing various games and in singing. Late in the evening an oyster supper was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Waterhouse gave a social at their home Wednesday evening, which was attended by about 45 guests. Piano and violin music was furnished by Miss Vera Moriarty and Harry Castledine. Games were played, refreshments were served, and dancing was indulged in.

Miss Edna Roberts entertained a party of friends at her home last Friday evening. Games were played and dancing was enjoyed, music being furnished by a gramophone. Guests were present from Ludlow, Indian Orchard, Palmer and this village. Refreshments were served and all report a good time.

Going Too Far.

"Why did Ferd drop out of business with his father?"

"Well, the old man said he could stand for college flags and posters, but he positively would not have any sofa pillows around the office."—Puck.

Tiring Out the Tiger.

An officer of the Italian army describes the manner in which a pack of wild dogs will attack and hunt down the fiercest tiger in the jungle. Having found their tiger, they proceed not to attack him at once, but to starve him until they have materially reduced his strength. Night and day they form a cordon around the unfortunate beast and allow him no chance of obtaining food or rest. Every time the tiger essays to break the circle this is widened as the pack flies before him, only to be relentlessly narrowed again when the quarry is exhausted. After a certain period of this treatment the tiger falls a comparatively easy prey to his active and persevering enemies.

Fijians at Play.

The Fijian game of tika is probably as ancient as golf, which it somewhat resembles. The brown warriors play along the roadway, and the game consists of long drives with a reed, one end of which is set in a large brown bean. Balancing a javelin nicely in the hand, with the forefinger as the driving power, they project it swiftly at a mound on the road ahead, from which it glances, falling 200 or 300 yards away. Thus they walk and play for miles, vying with each other for the longest drive. The Fijians "keep their eye on the mound," for it needs some skill to strike the heap of stones at the right spot on the reed so as to secure a long straight flight.

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13.50 Odd Raincoats	6.75	10.00 Odd Bath Robes	5.00
17.50 Odd Raincoats	8.75	5.00 Odd Bath Robes	2.50

Men's Trousers Department (Main Floor, Rear)

\$8.00 Odd Trousers	4.00	\$4.00 Odd Trousers	2.00
7.00 Odd Trousers	3.50	3.50 Odd Trousers	1.75
6.00 Odd Trousers	3.00	3.00 Odd Trousers	1.50
5.00 Odd Trousers	2.50	2.50 Odd Trousers	1.25

Furnishing Department (Main Floor, Rear)

.50 Odd Underwear	.25	\$1.50 Odd Gloves	.75
\$1.00 Odd Underwear	.50	2.00 Odd Gloves	1.00
1.50 Odd Union Suits	.75	.50 Odd Neckwear	.25
1.00 Odd Union Suits	1.50	3.00 Odd Auto Gauntlets	1.50
2.00 Odd Union Suits	1.00	2.50 Odd Auto Gauntlets	1.25
3.00 Odd Union Suits	1.50	1.50 Odd Umbrellas	.75
.15 Odd Hosiery	.08	2.00 Odd Soft Hats	1.00
.25 Odd Hose	.12	3.00 Odd Soft Hats	1.50
.75 Odd Gloves	.38	.50 Odd Caps	.25
1.00 Odd Gloves	.50	1.00 Odd Caps	.50

Shoe Department (Lower Floor)

\$6 and \$7 Odd Men's Shoes, Tan High Shoes	\$3.50	\$4 Odd Men's Shoes, Black High Shoes	\$2.00
6 and 7 Odd Men's Shoes, Black High Shoes	3.50	5 Odd Men's Shoes, Black High Shoes	2.50
5 Odd Men's Shoes, Tan High Shoes	2.50	4 Odd Men's Shoes, Tan High Shoes	2.00

Boy's Department (3d Floor, Front Elevator)

\$12.00 Odd Boys' Knicker Suits	\$6.00	\$.50 Odd Neckwear	.25
10.00 Odd Boys' Knicker Suits	5.00	.25 Odd Neckwear	.12
5.00 Odd Boys' Knicker Suits	2.50	1.00 Odd Caps	.50
7.50 Odd Boys' Russian Suits	3.75	.50 Odd Caps	.25
5.00 Odd Boys' Russian Suits	2.50	.98 Odd Blouses	.49
6.50 Odd Boys' Sailor Suits	3.25	.48 Odd Blouses	.24
3.50 Odd Washable Suits	1.75	1.00 Odd Shirts	.50
2.50 Odd Washable Suits	1.25	3.50 Odd Rubber Coats	1.75
2.00 Odd Washable Suits	1.00	4.50 Odd Bath Robes	2.25
1.50 Odd Trousers	.75	8 50 Odd Mackinaws	4.25
1.00 Odd Trousers	.50	3.50 Odd Bath Robes	1.75

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Monson News

Current Events Club Entertains.

The Current Events Club held its annual Gentlemen's Night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Ellis on Oak street last Friday evening. The guests were entertained with a Victorian portrait gallery, elaborate tableaux being presented of authors and their characters of that period by the club members attired in Victorian costumes, each member being dressed to represent a well-known Victorian author or character of the literature. Old English music was rendered, and a collation was served after the entertainment in accordance to old English style.

Proposed State Line Crossing Change.

The board of selectmen met the engineers of the Central Vermont Railroad at the State Line crossing last Thursday afternoon and discussed the advisability of separating the grades at that point. The railroad crosses the highway on a curve and the track to the north is visible from the crossing for a very short distance; south there is more leeway, but as the siding on the south is usually filled with cars the view is obstructed there as well, and several accidents have been narrowly averted.

The Fortnightly Club will meet with Mrs. F. J. Entwistle next Monday afternoon.

The Monson basketball association will play Three Rivers in Memorial Hall this evening. Dancing will follow the game.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will meet in the church parlors next week Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Jennie Barr was surprised by 20 of her friends at her home on Pearl street last evening in honor of her 16th birthday.

John Guilhan severed the last joint of his left thumb while splitting wood yesterday. He was attended by Dr. C. W. Jackson.

Mrs. Henry Preston White of Brookline, of the association opposed to further extension of suffrage to women, gave an interesting talk at the Bungalow Wednesday afternoon.

There will be meetings at the Bungalow to-morrow morning at 9 and in the afternoon at 2 o'clock of the ladies of the village to sew for the Red Cross relief. All interested in the work are cordially invited.

The Dorcas Society will meet next Wednesday at 2.30 p. m., with Mrs. F. Parker Holdridge on Washington street. The work for the afternoon will be on sailors' comfort bags for the Seamen's Friend Society.

Miss Florence Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Wright, and Winfield Cheney of Monson were quietly married by Town Clerk C. L. Peck at his office Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Cheney will make their home with Mrs. Cheney's mother.

Fifteen friends of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Jette gave him a surprise party at his home on Cushman street Tuesday evening. Games and music were enjoyed. Mr. Jette was presented with a fine briar pipe.

The re-elected board of selectmen met Tuesday afternoon and organized as last year with H. M. Smith chairman, Frank R. Sutcliffe clerk and chairman of the board of health, and John P. Herlihy overseer of the poor.

Trolley service Tuesday was uncertain, but local residents were not badly inconvenienced. The first car to appear in the morning came down at 8 o'clock and could go only to Hampden avenue. Later in the day No. 3 mill was made the end of the line, and the cars averaged 20 to 30 minutes late, but all trips were made.

The school committee met Wednesday evening and elected A. E. Shaw chairman; the prudential committee for the various buildings are: Dr. E. W. Capen, Green street and State Line; H. E. Kendall, Mechanic street and North Monson; O. E. Bradway, East Hill, Moulton Hill and Child's district; C. A. Sweet, Silver Street, Colton Hollow and Pease districts; R. S. Fay, No. 8 and State street. The board will meet the Wednesday following the first Monday in each month.

Selectman H. M. Smith has been appointed a member of the permanent committee of the Hampden County Improvement League on transportation and good roads. The committee of seven men have planned a vigorous fight for better roads in Hampden county, and will go before the state Legislature for this purpose. There have been a number of bills introduced from Western Massachusetts asking for anywhere from \$5000 to \$50,000 for permanent roads in all sorts of secluded places. Hampden county men feel that conditions here warrant some expenditure on their roads, and are pushing the fight through the League. The committee will call a meeting of selectmen of the county and league directors in Springfield Saturday to consider further propaganda.

Old Board of Selectmen Wins.

F. Q. Ball is Town Clerk. Appropriation Meeting Next Monday.

Balloting for town officers Monday showed the effects of the stormy weather somewhat, but the results were what had been anticipated for the most part.

The race for the position of town clerk proved to be the most interesting. Supporters of F. Q. Ball expected that E. J. Lyons would run strong, but did not think that he would come within



Freelon Q. Ball.
Elected Town Clerk by narrow margin of 4 votes.

four votes of their candidate. A recount is not expected. The selectmen's contest was a walkaway for the old board, S. M. Stebbins receiving 195 votes, while Mr. Herlihy, who got the smallest number of votes of the board elected, received 310.

G. L. Kenney learned the old-time lesson that Monson Republicans are loth to cast their ballots for any political aspirant who deserts the fold for every passing change of doctrine. Robert K. Squier led W. T. Lewis for water commissioner by a better margin than was expected. The constables of last year were all re-elected. Wet weather seemed favorable for wet votes, for there was a majority of 129 in favor of licensed liquor traffic, and 25 blanks.

William H. Anderson was moderator, and will preside at the adjourned meeting next Monday, when the appropriations will be considered. F. Q. Ball was sworn in as town clerk Tuesday night, and is discharging his new duties.

The warrant to come up for consideration Monday is one of the shortest for many years. There are no requests for schoolhouse or fire truck or new highway, which items are usually prominent.

The only article calling for an unusual appropriation is the one to see if \$1000 will be paid the widow of Eugene Hodge, the fireman who died later from injuries received at the W. N. Flynt & Sons' store fire.

The vote in detail is given below, a star indicating election:

Town Clerk.	
*Freelon Q. Ball,	307
Edward J. Lyons,	303
Blanks,	28
Town Treasurer.	
*Thaddeus L. Cushman,	529
Blanks,	109
Tax Collector.	
*Henry F. Miller,	537
Blanks,	161
Selectmen and Overseers of Poor.	
Edward F. Faulkner,	173
*John P. Herlihy,	310
George L. Kenney,	179
*Herbert M. Smith,	359
Sherman M. Stebbins,	195
*Frank R. Sutcliffe,	347
Ralph D. Tucker,	79
Blanks,	272
Assessor, 3 Years.	
*Franklin O. Bliss,	338
Timothy F. Foley,	235
Blanks,	65
School Committee, 3 Years.	
*Elwyn W. Capen,	362
*Robert S. Fay,	292
Henry M. Foley,	202
Richard S. Hughes,	221
Blanks,	199
Cemetery Commissioner, 3 Years.	
*Rufus P. Cushman,	477
Blanks,	161
Water Commissioner, 3 Years.	
William T. Lewis,	247
*Robert K. Squier,	309
Blanks,	82
Constables.	
*Herbert A. Aldrich,	490
*Bernice L. Broadbent,	360
*Eugene S. Howlett,	398
Nathaniel J. McAuliffe,	232
*Walter J. McDonald,	456
John L. Moran,	247
*Charles H. Stacy,	339
Blanks,	670
Fence Viewers.	
*Fred D. Rogers,	446
*Edgar Squier,	439
*Hubert D. Vaille,	423
Blanks,	606
Auditors.	
*Allen J. Buffington,	358
Edward P. Donovan,	191
Frank C. Park,	162
*Robert E. Shaw,	323
Blanks,	242
License.	
*Yes,	371
No,	242
Blanks,	25

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ellis have gone to Sea Breeze, Fla., for several weeks' stay.

There will be a children's social in the primary room of the Congregational church vestry Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Lovina M. Fenton is seriously ill at her home on Main street. Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Fenton of Springfield are staying with Mr. Fenton's mother.

Dr. G. A. Andrews, Rev. Abrani Conklin and Rev. W. A. Kilmer have arranged for a series of union Lenten services, the first of which will be held in the Congregational church Thursday, Feb. 18.

Day Spring Lodge, F. and A. M., will observe Ladies' Night at their lodge rooms next Tuesday evening. An interesting program has been arranged, and all Masons and their families are invited.

Forty ladies met at the Bungalow Tuesday afternoon, where they were addressed by representatives of the association of anti-suffrage. Mrs. G. A. Andrews was chosen chairman of the local anti-suffrage association, and literature on the subject may be obtained from her at any time.

Major John H. Sherburne of Boston will speak before the Men's Club of the Congregational church next Monday evening on "Modern Field Artillery and its use in the European War." Mayor Sherburne is chairman of the rules committee and floor leader in the state Legislature.

Mrs. Ada Chase Smith of Springfield, reader, who was to read "Enoch Arden" and humorous selections at the King's Daughters entertainment last Tuesday evening, was unable to fill the engagement on account of illness, and the entertainment will now be given the evening of Feb. 23.

Miss Rose Livingston, known as the "Angel of Chinatown," who for many years has been active in rescuing girls from Chinatown in New York city, gave a very interesting talk to a large group of women at the Bungalow Monday afternoon on white slavery and coincident conditions in the metropolis. Mrs. Edith Vorce of Ohio, a well-known speaker, also addressed the audience regarding the same work.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Nicholson of Springfield announce the engagement of their daughter, Elsie M., to Harry L. Rees of this town. Mr. Rees is a graduate of Monson Academy 1909, and attended Massachusetts Agricultural College two years. He is now employed by the maintenance department of the Boston and Albany railroad.

The Monson Improvement Society will give an entertainment of unusual interest in Memorial Hall Tuesday evening, February 16. The program includes a farce, and musical and vaudeville numbers, all by local talent.

The ladies of the society have arranged the affair in an effort to obtain funds for a district nurse, and a hearty response to their appeal is expected. Tickets will be sold by children of the 8th and 9th grades at 25 cents, and will be exchangeable for reserved seat tickets after 10 a. m., Feb. 12, at Bradway's newsrooms.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushley.)

Mid-year examination began last week Wednesday morning and continued till Friday noon, when a half-holiday was granted.

The Junior Prom is set for Friday night. It is to be, as usual, the social event of the year in the Academy. Patronesses are Mrs. H. F. Dewing, Mrs. F. W. Ellis, Miss E. R. Holmes, Mrs. R. P. Cushman, Miss H. F. Cushman.

The school paper, the "Monsonia," went to press Tuesday, and the printers report that the issue should be on sale by February 15.

Kitchen Reparto.

Mrs. Brown was in the kitchen helping Nora, the cook, prepare supper.

"It's an old saying," she remarked to Nora, "that 'too many cooks spoil the broth.' What do you think?"

"Sure, ma'am," the cook replied, "there's nothing to worry about: there's only one cook here."—National Monthly.

Bunkum.

Politicians are prone to talk "bunkum." And we so call it because when a member speaking in the United States congress was interrupted by the others leaving, he said: "Never mind, I'm talking to Buncombe," meaning Buncombe county, N. C., whence he came.

Not Too Early.

Father (sternly)—Elizabeth, you know I don't believe in early marriages. Daughter (sweetly)—Eighteen, daddy! Why, neither do Harold and I, daddy! We've decided on high noon!—Puck.

Against His Will.

New Parson—And what is your husband, Mrs. Brown? Mrs. Brown—Well, sir, 'e ain't exactly a policeman, but 'e goes with 'em a good deal.—London Tatler.

Your Own Faults.

Most of us are quick enough at seeing what we have to put up with from others, but we forget what others have to put up with from us.

Each day is the scholar of yesterday.—Syrus.

Lightship No. 4

By M. QUAD

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One day thirty years ago it was reported to the Trinity board, which has charge of all lights on the coast of Great Britain, that a shoal had made in the English channel about nine miles due east of the Lizard. At the spot indicated there had been thirty fathoms of water ever since a British ship went to sea, and the board, of course, argued that there had been a mistake. It was a fishing craft which had reported the shoal and found only fourteen feet of water over it, and a craft was sent out at once to make an official investigation. What had happened was this: It was a boulder strewn bottom, and two or three old wrecks had drifted together and piled up on each other until a dangerous obstruction had been formed. It was as if a great rock had been heaved up from the bottom, and the board must guard against the danger without delay.

Thirty years ago the diver's dress was not what it is today, nor could men handle explosives under water as they can now. After two or three valiant attempts to clear away the wrecks the work was left for a storm to accomplish, and meanwhile lightship No. 4, under Captain Crox, was moved around from Mounts bay and anchored near the spot and notice given to mariners.

That night it was the captain's watch from 8 till midnight. A gale had come up. It had come 10 o'clock when a sudden hail reached the lightship. The captain was aft and his mate forward, but he knew at once that the hail came from seaward. It was not so dark but that one could see a ship 300 feet away, even though she had no lights aboard.

As soon as a port fire was ignited the sea was lighted up for hundreds of feet around in a ghastly way, and both men looked for the craft they supposed to be near by. They looked in vain till the signal was nearly finished. Then a ship's yawl, driving right up in the teeth of the gale, hove into sight. She was without a mast or sail or oars, and the only figure in her sat in the stern sheets, and his arms and legs were bound around with ropes.

The man was bareheaded and dressed as a landsman, and as he drove past within twenty feet of the rail they had a look square into his eyes, and the agony on his face made them shudder. They started to throw him a rope, but as the coil swung into the air they remembered that, being bound, he could make no use of it. The yawl and the man went straight to windward and in a couple of minutes were out of sight, and the men found themselves all a-tremble. Captain Crox was full of indignation over the crime of sending a man afloat in that manner and of pity for the victim, when his mate touched him on the arm and shouted in his ear:

"If I was ashore, captain, all the money in England would not bribe me to set foot on this deck again!"

"What's the matter with you?" was called in reply. "It's only a bit of shore villainy that we must report."

"It's nothing that's happened ashore, sir. Did you take notice that the craft was driving right in the teeth of the gale? It wasn't a live man in that boat. She was going to windward with a ghost, and I'd give the bit I have in the bank if I'd not seen it."

It was agreed between them that nothing be said to the other watch when they turned out, and they went on duty without knowing or suspecting that anything out of the way had happened.

While carrying the thing out with pretended indifference, Captain Crox was, as a matter of fact, pretty thoroughly upset over it and on turning in found he could not go to sleep. He had been lying on his bunk and turning the thing over in his mind for an hour or so and the gale was still howling and the lightship bouncing about when he realized from the movement of the watch that they had been hailed. He was out of his bunk and on deck just as one of them lighted a port fire, and you can judge his feelings when he saw the former scene re-enacted. There were the yawl and the man, and the boat slowly forged past them and disappeared to windward.

There was no more sleep for anybody on board No. 4 that night, and next day, when the gale broke and the tender came alongside, all demanded that they be put ashore at once. The captain was as badly rattled as the others. They were grieved and ridiculed, of course, but they stood so firm that the tender brought off another crew, and they were relieved from duty. A new crew was assigned, but the man and the boat appeared to them twice in one night and drove them ashore, as they did the others.

A third crew went out and for two weeks began to prepare to remove the wrecks. Some progress had been made when a three days' gale set in from the north, and there were more wrecks than had been known for ten years before. For two days the lightship hung to her anchors, though having a signal of distress out after the first day, but when the gale abated she had disappeared. She had been swept down the channel and out to sea, and a week later she was passed bottom up more than 300 miles away. The same storm broke up and removed the wrecks, and there was no longer need to keep a light at that spot.

As no man is born an artist, so no man is born an angler.

Old Time Detective Work

By EVERETT P. CLARKE

I have been a detective for many years, though now that I am getting old I seldom take a case, and then only one that promises to interest me. My leisure time I spend in study. And what do you suppose is the subject of my studies? I will tell you. I am searching the past when there were no detectives that I may learn how criminals were traced.

I have found a succession of conditions, beginning with confession by torture—to this may be added confession by influence of the clergy—and ending with our present highly perfected detective system. I regret to say that there still exists one relic of the practice of obtaining confessions by influence of the clergy. I refer to securing them by means of the "third degree."

A curious instance of confession I have found in a record of the latter part of the eighteenth century.

During the year 1790 an altercation occurred between James Thorpe and Pardon Winston in Bradford, a small town in Massachusetts. Robert Thorpe, a brother of James, came on to the scene while the fight was in progress and struck Winston on the head with a piece of wood, knocking him senseless. However, he revived in a few minutes, and the brothers, who had been friends of Winston, frightened lest he had been killed, assisted him to his home, expressing great regret at the occurrence.

Winston did not seem any the worse for the blow he had received and remained in Bradford some time after the scuffle. But one day he was missed, and, when months passed and he did not show up, among the various causes for his disappearance that were suggested was one that the quarrel between him and the Thorpe brothers had been renewed and the missing man had come to his death through their instrumentality.

However, since there was nothing but inference in the matter, the suspicion died down. Several years after Winston's disappearance Abner Twitchell, a citizen of Bradford, dreamed one night that the ghost of Winston had appeared to him and said that the Thorpe brothers had killed him, burned his body and buried the residue under a beech tree, the only tree standing in the back yard of his home. Twitchell gave the civil authorities an account of his dream.

At this point in my narrative it is well to remember the conditions of that period. The belief in witchcraft that had reaped so many victims had died out among educated persons, but still prevailed among the lower classes. Today a belief in revelation by dreams, though not what it was then, is not entirely extinct.

The Thorpe brothers were arrested, the ground about the roots of the beech tree was dug up, and some buttons and the metal parts of a pair of suspenders were found. This evidence was considered so strong that the Thorpe brothers were urged to confess in order that justice should be meted out to each in accordance with what he deserved. James, under the incessant pleadings of his spiritual adviser, finally gave way and confessed that he had been the murderer. But later Robert confessed that he, too, had taken part in the killing and had done the principal part in getting rid of the body.

Now, if we consider the evidence in this case as it would be regarded today there is nothing in it. First, we would not accept the dream as of any value whatever; second, the articles found under the beech tree might have been thrown out in the yard or burned with other refuse under the tree and become mingled with the soil; third, we have numerous confessions in murder cases that are not true.

But in those days, when the people were emerging from a period wherein an organized court of justice would convict a woman of vomiting crooked pins and sailing on the water in a sieve, the evidence against the Thorpe brothers, backed by the confession of both, was considered quite sufficient to hang them. They were tried, convicted and sentenced.

One day a man rode into Bradford and while sitting around the tavern stove was told that the next day there would be a hanging in the town and he had better remain over and see it. On mention of the name of Winston he said that he had seen a half-witted man in Hadley of that name. A friend of the Thorpe boys was present, and he went to the judge with the story, asking for a stay of the execution in order that the matter might be investigated.

A constable was sent to Hadley and returned with the man for whose murder the prisoners were to have been hanged. The brothers were released and received an ovation, the townspeople really rejoicing that they had been saved by a mere chance from having committed murder themselves.

The blow that Winston had received from Robert Thorpe had caused an inflammation of a bit of his skull on the brain. Even nowadays we are never sure when or what vagaries may be caused by such a pressure, though it can now be removed by surgeons. Whether the surgical process of trepanning was done in those days or not I don't know. I found no record of the subsequent condition of the injured man.

The mouse that hath bun one hole is quickly taken.

Prussic Acid in Plants.

It has been known for some time that various plants belonging to different families produce free prussic acid. In these "cyanogenetic" plants the largest amount of this acid is produced by the green leaves and the young parts, while the root gives little or none. Animals rarely touch these plants. Light and the assimilation processes depending upon light exert a favorable influence on cyanogenesis, while the absence of carbon dioxide greatly diminishes the amount produced.

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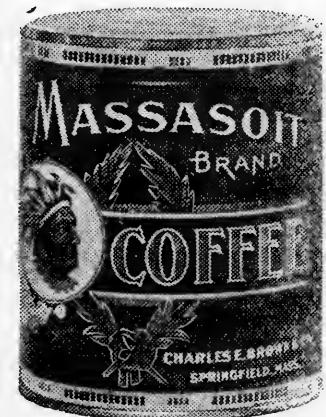
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CASH OR EASY TERMS

Mistaken For a Spy

By SARAH BAXTER

When the great European war broke out I was in Berlin. Being a woman and not brave, I concluded that I had better remain where I was than try to get back to America. So I stuck to my quarters in the capital, though I displayed an American flag at my window and visited the embassy to make sure my passport was all right.

By October the lines of traffic over the Atlantic had become safe, and hearing that I could get passage at Rotterdam for New York I concluded to venture upon a trip home. The only danger in my personality lay in the fact of my accent. We Bostonians use the broad "a" like the English, and on this account I was liable to be taken for an Englishwoman.

At the time I started the allies in the west were engaged in repulsing the attacks of the Germans in France and a part of Belgium which was still occupied by the Belgians. Having crossed the Meuse I fell in with the German army in the rear of the line of trenches which was being held as a reserve. I was conducted to the headquarters of the general commanding, and my passport was examined by an officer of his staff who spoke English, but with the usual accent of a German. After a few questions he left me, but soon returned.

"There is fighting on the route you must take, and it would not be safe to proceed just now. The general desires that you join him at dinner, and we will see that you have a comfortable place to sleep."

I was sorry for the delay, but exercised patience, especially since I was to be well treated. Some British prisoners were brought in during the day, and I went among them, chatting with them. I noticed that they all supposed me to be English, several of them asking from what part of England I hailed. This troubled me, for there were German officers and soldiers present, and I was quite sure that at least one of the officers was listening to our conversation.

I dined with the general and several members of his staff. There was also another woman present besides myself, who spoke English fluently. Indeed, not every one would know whether she was English or German, though to me she betrayed her nationality in certain words that a German can never pronounce. For the "w" she used a "v." For a "g" she used "sh." But it seemed to me that she must have learned English while young, for these peculiarities of German pronunciation were very slight.

After dinner the men arose and said that they would smoke outside, giving us two ladies an opportunity to enjoy each other's society for a short time. They had scarcely left us alone together when my companion's manner changed completely. She drew her seat very near me and whispered:

"I am not German. I am English. I have very important information of the German forces which I wish to carry to England. But there are officers between me and the coast who know me, and if I proceed I will be arrested for a spy. If you will carry a bit of paper through the lines to General French's headquarters you will save the lives of hundreds, thousands, of our countrymen."

This speech frightened me dreadfully. I arose and attempted to leave the woman, convinced that she was really working upon me for some purpose which I did not know. She caught me by the skirt and held me, looking up at me with an expression which was intended for terror, but which I believed was feigned.

"Do not betray me!" she cried in a smothered voice. "It will mean death to me!"

"Let me go," I retorted. "I am not English. I am American."

The woman held me, imploring me not to betray her. I told her that I had no interest in her whatever. I was neither German nor English, but a native and a citizen of a neutral country. She played her part admirably, and for a moment such was the agony she assumed that I almost believed her. But I remembered how she had betrayed herself in her speech and refused to credit her.

I pulled myself away from her and fled. Outside the general and the other officers who had retired from the dinner table were seated on camp chairs smoking. They arose as I appeared and turned toward me.

"General," I said, "I wish to proceed on my journey at once. You have set this woman upon me to see if I am what I pretend or a spy. She is not English, which you know as well as I. She is German, though she speaks English better than any German I ever met. But when she tells me she is not a German I know better. I am an American bearing an American passport, and I demand to be allowed to proceed on my journey to Rotterdam, where I hope to find passage to my home in America."

The general broke into a laugh in which the other officers joined. The man who had examined my passport said to me:

"Why, if you are an American, do you use the broad 'a' like the English?"

"Because I am a Bostonian." I was not only permitted to proceed at once, but was furnished with transportation and an escort. I reached Rotterdam a few days before the sailing of a steamer for America and secured a passage in her.

For "ignorance" is the mother of devotion, as all the world knows.

A Belgian War Romance

By LOUISE B. CUMMINGS

One quiet evening in the summer of 1913 a pair of young lovers stood on a bridge that crossed the river Lys, in Belgium. They were there for a parting. The young man was to leave for the coast early the next morning and thence for America. Nothing could be more peaceful than the scene about them. A young moon stood in the west. If an occasional breeze stirred the leaves on the trees they were stirring lightly. As for sound, there was only a slight gurgle beneath them as the current passed the abutment of the bridge.

"Mina," said the young man, "cheer up. It will not be long before in America I shall have saved enough money to send for you. That we may have a definite time to be reunited I promise you that one year from today, if not before, you shall receive the passage money to bring you to me."

"And I, Hans, will work and save so that if you do not succeed in gaining enough to send for me I may have enough for the journey."

When the year had passed a great change had come over Belgium. The Germans were pouring into the country from the east, the French from the south. Wilhelmina had received letters from her lover in New York that money would be sent her for her passage, but before it was dispatched the war had stopped the mails.

On the anniversary of their parting, at evening, Wilhelmina went to the bridge on which they had stood a year before. It was now a ruin, more than half of it having been destroyed. Here and there across the fields were flashes, followed by a distant roar of guns, while searchlights sent their columns of light across the sky like the tails of nearby comets.

What should she do? Her home had been that day in the line of fire and was a ruin. Before leaving it she had snatched up her savings, and these she had with her. Standing there in the identical spot where she had stood in quiet with her lover, she resolved to go to him if possible.

There was no way of announcing her coming beforehand. She had neither writing materials nor a way to send a letter. Indeed, it was doubtful if even she could break through the line of war to reach the coast. And if she arrived at a port would she find a vessel? Nevertheless she turned her back toward Holland and set off in the dark night.

Her adventures are a long story by itself. Fortune favoring, she reached Rotterdam in safety and there found that she had the means to buy a steerage ticket on an outgoing steamer to New York.

On the arrival of the vessel the emigrants were landed at Ellis island, and Wilhelmina among others was brought before the immigration commissioners. There she was asked how she would be provided for in America, and when she said that she had no money she was told that she would be sent back to Holland.

Her modesty, the consciousness that she was coming to marry a man without a special bidding, had caused her to conceal what she expected. Besides, suppose Hans had changed! But the prospect of being sent back to a land running in blood, where even the little home in which she had been born and always lived had been leveled, overcame her reticence, and she told a love story that no pen, however inspired, could put on paper.

"Hans must be found!" Such were the instructions given to a messenger, who departed on his errand.

There is a committee of Belgians in New York whose purpose it is to look after their incoming fellow countrymen. The head of the committee was found, and he in turn started a hunt for Hans.

Ever since the war had broken out Hans had been anxious about his Wilhelmina. He had not dared to send her his savings for fear they would be lost. Indeed, one of the troubles brought on by the war was the inability to send funds to Europe. He had written her, but without expectation that she would receive his letters. As to receiving letters from her, he had no faith in that either.

Hans was at work one afternoon when a fellow workman came to him and told him that the boss wished to see him in the office. Hans laid down his tools and reported as directed. He found beside the boss a man, who asked him:

"Are you Hans Wichtel?"

"I am."

"There is a girl on Ellis island who came over from Belgium. She says you will marry her."

"Mina?"

"She says her name is Wilhelmina."

"Marry her! Of course I will marry her. Where can I find her?"

Hans wished to go at once to Ellis island, but suddenly remembering that a man in overalls was not in wedding costume tided himself up, then set off to join his sweetheart.

If the authorities had any doubt about Wilhelmina's story it was dispelled by the fervent embrace of the lovers. But Uncle Sam's emigrant officials take no man's promise of marriage, and there are no branches of promise in his large family. A man went with the couple to the city hall in New York, where a license was procured. Then the pair went to the office of the Belgian committee, where the marriage ceremony was performed.

It would not seem natural without a daily war scare.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS To the Honorable Judges of the Land Court:

Respectfully represents Frank A. Towne of Ludlow in the County of Hampden and Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

1. That on September 15th, 1884, Martha E. Towne of Palmer in said County of Hampden was the owner in fee simple of a certain tract of land in the village of Goodsville in said Town of Palmer, bounded and described as follows:—

"Beginning at a stake and stones on the east side of Pleasant Street at a corner of land belonging to Louisiana Hughes; thence easterly on land of said Hughes six rods and six links and twenty-five feet to the first mentioned stake; thence eight rods on land of said Collins to a corner of land belonging to Baxter; thence westerly on the westerly line of said Boynton six rods and six links and twenty-five feet to the first mentioned stake; thence northerly on said Street, with the buildings thereon standing."

The said Martha E. Towne acquired said real estate by deed of Reuben L. Boynton dated September 15, 1864, and recorded with the deeds for said County of Hampden, book 229, page 441.

2. On said fifteenth day of September, 1884, the said Martha E. Towne conveyed said tract of land by deed of mortgage to said Reuben L. Boynton in said County of Hampden, and the said deed of mortgage was duly recorded with the deeds for said County of Hampden, book 229, page 441, and the sum of Six hundred and fifty dollars (\$650) by the mortgagee to the mortgagee as appears by the following provisions therein:—

"Provided, nevertheless, and this deed is on the following condition, to wit, that, whereas, L. E. Towne, the said Martha E. Towne, have executed two promissory notes of hand bearing even date herewith on demand, one note of three hundred and fifty dollars and on note of two hundred and fifty dollars, with interest annually, therefore, if L. E. Towne, the said Martha E. Towne, or any representatives, shall pay the amount of said notes according to the tenor thereof, then this deed shall be void, otherwise in full force and effect."

3. The said Martha E. Towne died intestate in the Town of Palmer on April 23, 1886, leaving her husband, Marquis D. L. Towne, then a resident of said Palmer, and as her only heirs at law and next of kin, her petitioner, her son and a son of the said Marquis D. L. Towne. The said Martha E. Towne, at the time of her death was a resident of the town of Palmer and had been a resident of said town for many years prior thereto. Said real estate at the time of the death of the said Martha E. Towne stood of record in her name.

4. More than twenty years have elapsed since the death of said Martha E. Towne and no administration has ever been taken out on her estate, as duly appears of record.

5. The said Marquis D. L. Towne died July 13, 1896, leaving a will. Said will was duly approved and allowed, and appears by a decree of the Probate Court for said County of Hampden, dated September 4, 1896. Letters testamentary were duly issued to the petitioner and Onesimus A. Parent, who duly filed affidavit of notice of their appointment as required by law, September 26th, 1896.

6. On December 20, 1897, the petitioner conveyed said real estate to Franceshah A. Towne by warranty deed recorded with said Hampden County Deeds, book 572, page 514. Said deed contained the following provisions:—

"And I hereby for myself and my heirs, executors and administrators covenant with the grantee hereof and her heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of the granted premises; that I am free from all incumbrances, and that I have good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid and that I will and my heirs, executors, and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the grantee and her heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons."

7. On September 30, 1911, said Franceshah A. Towne conveyed said real estate to Michael Skrzynecki by deed recorded with said Hampden County Registry of Deeds, book 825, page 195.

8. At the time of the death of the said Martha E. Towne, as aforesaid, and always prior thereto the said Marquis D. L. Towne had borne and was commonly known by the name of Marquis D. L. Towne, but shortly thereafter he adopted the name of "Towne" and always thereafter bore and was commonly known by the name of

"Towne." The petitioner who was less than ten years old when his father adopted the name of "Towne," as aforesaid, was at the same time given that name and has ever since borne and been commonly known as Frank A. Towne, which he has adopted as his name.

9. The said Reuben L. Boynton, the mortgagee named in the mortgage hereinbefore referred to, died in said County of Hampden on September 2, 1908. By a decree of the Probate Court for said County of Hampden under date of October 7, 1908, Herbert A. McFarland of said Wales was duly appointed executor of the last will and testament of said Boynton and duly qualified by giving a bond, as required by law. On the 26th day of February, 1911, the said Herbert A. McFarland died without having fully executed the provisions of said will. No administrator of the estate of said Boynton has been appointed to succeed the said McFarland.

10. The petitioner, and those having his estate in the premises, have been in uninterrupted possession of said real estate hereinbefore described for more than twenty years since the expiration of the time limited in said mortgage for the full performance thereof and no person will be prejudiced by the discharge of record of said mortgage.

The petitioner prays that after due notice a decree may be entered reciting its facts and findings in the premises as provided by Chapter 233 of the Acts of 1911 and the Acts therein referred to and for such other and further relief as he may be entitled to.

FRANK A. TOWNE,
By GARDNER & GARDNER,
His Attorneys.

A True Copy.
Attest: CLARENCE C. SMITH,
Recorder.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Hampden, ss. Land Court.

(Seal)

Upon the foregoing petition (the first order of notice issued in this case not having been served as required), it is ordered that the petitioner do notice to all persons interested in said petition to appear before the Land Court at Springfield, within and for said County of Hampden, to show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted.

By the Court: CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

Dated, January 12, 1915.

A True Copy.
Attest: CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

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Mountains You May Not Know. I had imagined that the Rockies were the whole show. I had not the faintest recollection of the Cordilleran system (of which the Rockies and all the other ranges are but a part), while, as for the Sierra Nevada, I remembered them only when I came to them, and then much as one will recall a slight acquaintance who has been in jail for many years.

Are you shocked by my ignorance—or my confession of it? Then let me ask you if you know that the Uinta mountain range in Utah is the only range in the entire country that runs east and west? And have you ever heard of the Pequop mountains, or the Cedar mountains, or the Santa Rosas, or the Egans, or the Humboldts, or the Washoes, or the Goshutes, or the Toyabes, or the Toquimas, or the Hot Creek mountains? And did you know that in California, as well as in New Hampshire, there are White mountains? And what do you know of the Wasatch and Oquirrh ranges?—Julian Street in Collier's Weekly.

Coral Powder. The debris left from coral, after it has been made into articles of jewelry, etc., is crushed, scented and sold as tooth powder at a high price by East Indian perfumers.

Domestic Bliss. Mrs. Newed (to her husband)—I cook and cook and cook for you, and what do I get? Nothing! Mr. Newed—You're lucky. I always get indigestion.

Ancestors. Our ancestors are very good kind of folks, but they are the last people I should choose to have a visiting acquaintance with.—Sheridan. Partly Blank.

"What sort of mind has he?"

"Well, his chain of thought has many a missing link."

New Quick Relief for Aches and Pains

Years ago if you had a tooth pulled you had to grin and bear it. Then came gas, then cocaine, then ether. Rheumatic pains, neuralgia, sciatica, sprains, bruises, etc., which cause great suffering, have been treated for years by hot applications, by rubbing with liniment, goose-grease, kerosene and other things. Little progress has been made for the layman in this connection. The same old bottles of liniment that our grandfathers used are still the favorite standby in many a home.

Now comes a preparation known as PANGALAY, which is wholly different, so superior, so much more effective, so much cleaner, so much easier to handle and so much more dependable in its results that every one should know about it at once.

This PANGALAY comes in tubes. You merely squeeze a little of it into the palm of the hand, rub it over the sore, aching spot—when, presto! the pain disappears like magic. This is due largely to the fact that PANGALAY is made from some new ingredients which penetrate right through the skin and the entire system, like rain goes through one's coat. It reaches the seat of the pain and corrects the trouble. You'll never know the real joy of suddenly having your suffering disappear until you have made the acquaintance of this wonderful new product of science. It is perfectly harmless and guaranteed safe for man, woman or child. Get it at any drug store for 25c or from Curtis Chemical Co., 117 East 24th Street, New York.

Difficult Trading. The trade between India and Tibet has to be carried through lofty passes between 14,000 and 18,000 feet high most of which are practically impassable during seasons of heavy rain and snow. Sheep and also crosses between yaks and ordinary cattle are used as beasts of burden. The most important route into Tibet from India is from Sikkim, near Darjeeling in northern Bengal, and across the small frontier state of Sikkim to Gyantse and Yatung in Tibet, the two leading trade marts authorized by the existing convention. The other chief means of access to Tibet are from Almora, in the northern part of the united provinces, and from Simla over the Simla-Tibet road to Gartok in western Tibet, which is at about 14,200 feet elevation above the sea.

Credit. Credit is an estimate of your capacity to worry about paying your bills which is held about you by a lot of total strangers. Credit is also a belief held of your ability to pay for something long after you have ceased to derive any benefit from it. Credit is like wise a gauge of your willingness to deceive yourself into the belief that you can afford to buy something because you cannot pay cash for it. If everybody paid cash there would be no bond issue, no huge clerical forces, no national debts, no armies or military systems, no schools such as exist today, no war, no degenerate fashions—nothing but plain, everyday living. Credit enables everybody to live a fictitious existence. Nothing exceeds like credit.—Life.

Had It Lowered. Sir Augustus Harris once settled the pitch question in his own offhand fashion. A famous prima donna of his opera company came to him complaining that the piano used for vocal rehearsals was too high and asking that it might be lowered.

"Certainly," replied Druritolanus, with a bow. "Here, Forsyth, have a couple of inches sawed off the legs of this piano."

The Buffalo. The hump of the buffalo is not a mass of fat, as some people suppose but is formed by neural spines of length fully double those of domestic cattle and by the huge muscles which lie alongside and fill up the angle between these neural spines and the ribs.

Fine Combination. "She spoke in a flattering way of you the other day."

"Did she? That was nice. What did she say?"

"She said if she had your assurance with her brains she'd run for president."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Test Question. Newed—I tell you, old chap, I'm an other man since I was married. Singleton—So? Does your wife love you as much as the man she married? Exchange.

Hot Return Fire. "You have the advantage of me, sir." "So has any man with brains."—Boston Transcript.

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GRANGE MEETING NIGHT.

Brimfield Organization Holds An Interesting Session.

FINE PAPERS ON IMPORTANT TOPICS.

On "The Larger Housekeeping," Valuable Information Given and Suggestions Offered.

Brimfield Grange held "Matrons' Night" at its meeting last week, and though the attendance was small on account of stormy weather, the papers presented were of great merit and unusually interesting.

The subject of the program was "The Larger Housekeeping," and it considered the responsibilities of women for conditions outside the home which affect the community as a whole and which react upon the individual household. The division of the subject that had been planned by the committee related to cleanliness and hygiene, the care and protection of children, the need of better conditions for laboring women and children, and corrections, and also woman's home missionary work and parent-teacher associations. On account of the absence of several of those to whom parts had been assigned only a portion of the program was carried out. Mrs. F. N. Lawrence, in the absence of Mrs. Orus E. Parker, conducted the program and opened the discussion with a paper contrasting the new housekeeping with the old. As regards food, their supply and preparation, she said that formerly everything was prepared in the home; now a large proportion of foods come from outside, and it is the housekeeper's duty to make better systems of marketing, and to supervise the sanitary conditions of stores, bakeries, markets and canneries, and the production of milk. She should also see that the public laundries are sanitary, and that ready-made clothing is produced under proper conditions. She should patronize only those places that are sanitary as one means of reform.

Miss Lucinda Lawrence followed, giving illustrations of the work that is being done by women's clubs and individual women for better community housekeeping in various departments. Women's clubs have secured ordinances for food inspection, promoted the appointment of women police and the establishment of the juvenile court and public playgrounds. Cities of the Pacific coast have women food inspectors who are regular municipal officials.

A paper on "The New Housekeeping," by Mrs. Maddocks, followed, in which it was claimed that when the sense of individual responsibility is awakened in all housewives there will be no unsanitary stores and shops of any kind, no short weights and no adulterated foods. Unsanitary conditions in many bakeries and in places where clothing is made were pointed out. Doctors in remote country places even have traced contagious diseases to city sweat-shops.

Charles Streeter, acting as a substitute, read an article showing that however perfect a woman's housekeeping may be within her four walls, her family is constantly exposed to dangers outside, and that she must take a hand in the city's housekeeping for the protection of her family. Miss Anna Hitchcock read accounts of a woman's success in surgery and school nurses.

In the absence of Mrs. Stowell, Everett Stowell read an extract concerning the work of Mrs. Caroline Bartlett Crane, an inspector of meat, who goes over the whole country in fulfilling the duties of her position.

Miss Tarbell spoke on the work of Katherine B. Davis, commissioner of corrections of New York city, who has oversight of nine prisons and places of detention containing 5500 prisoners. Her work was characterized as appropriate to the subject, for, as Miss Davis has said, women from time immemorial have been at the head of the corrections department of the home as well as the house-cleaning. Miss Tarbell showed that Miss Davis is carrying out the principle that the purpose of correction should be reform, not merely punishment.

The evils of child labor were then considered. Miss Thayer of the Academy gave a reading showing that 2,000,000 children between the ages of 10 and 16 are working for wages in the United States aside from those employed in street trades. While the states in which child labor is most prevalent are the Gulf states, where there are many cotton mills, Massachusetts is not without the evils of child labor, as there are only 18 factory inspectors for 50,000 factories in this

Sporting News.

Monson Defeats Three Rivers.

The Monson Athletic Club trimmed the Three Rivers Athletics at Monson last Thursday evening, 40 to 8, the visitors' team being crippled. The second half was rather rough. Borgeson secured eight baskets for the winners, and Burlingame featured for Three Rivers. Line-up:

Monson. Erickson, 1 f. Cahill, 1 f. Hillard, c. Borgeson, 1 g. Bourke, Manning, r. g. Score: Monson 40, Three Rivers 8. Goals from floor, Borgeson 8, Erickson 3, Cahill 2, Hillard 3, Bourke, Manning, Burlingame 3, Goals from fouls, Erickson 2, Cahill, Hillard, Burlingame 2. Referee, J. Faulkner. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 250.

Easthampton Beats Palmer High.

Palmer High made a better showing last Friday evening against the Easthampton High quintet on Palmer's own floor in Union Hall, Thorndike. The locals played desperately, but the Easthampton boys easily defeated them, making the second victory over Palmer within a week. The visitors took the lead in the beginning and held it throughout the game. The outcome of the game was always clearly evident, and the struggle was somewhat one-sided. Albro and Martin were the best players for Palmer, and Hupfer of Easthampton was the feature of the game. The line-up:

Easthampton. Lewyns, Daley, 1 f. McGloth, 1 f. Hupfer, Bohls, c. Kessling, 1 b. Lyman, 1 b. Palmer. r. b. Martin, 1 b. Keeffe, c. Brosnan, Monat, 1 f. Albro, 1 f. Lyman, 1 b. Score: Easthampton 45, Palmer 14. Baskets from floor, Hupfer 7, McGloth 5, Lyman 4, Kessling 2, Lewyns 4, Albro 2, Martin, Monat. Baskets on free tries, Hupfer, Albro 4, Free tries missed, Hupfer 3, Albro 2. Referee, Cahill. Timers, Gay and Daley. Time, 20-minute halves.

Monson Wins Again.

M. A. C. 18 went to Monson last Saturday with "victory" all tied up in a bag, but, due to the vast improvement of the Monson team, victory remained there. The long end of a 68-15 score was the result of the afternoon work. McCarthy for Monson dropped the ball into the basket with a monstrous regularity, and Martin and Wenzel were large point-winners as usual. Martin played a wonderful game at guard, many of the points being the direct result of his lightning-like passwork. Inglehart played his usual fast game, and also caged several neat baskets. Vickers for the M. A. C. played the best all-round game. Some of his shots were clever. Line-up:

Monson. Wenzel, Cushman, 1 f. McCarthy, 1 f. Inglehart, c. Main, Squires, 1 g. Leary, 1 g. Aggie Freshmen. r. g. Gassess, Gillett, r. g. Hawley, c. Grayson, 1 f. Vickers, 1 f. Minor. Score: Monson 68, Aggie 15. Goals from floor, McCarthy 10, Inglehart 8, Martin 7, Wenzel 4, Cushman 2, Squires, Grayson 5, Vickers 2. Goals from fouls, Wenzel 4, Vickers, Goals missed, Wenzel, Vickers 4. Referee, Fuller of Wesleyan. Timers, Faulkner of Monson. Time, 20-minute halves.

The preliminary game between the Monson All Stars and the Academy Seconds was won by the former by a close margin. Harper and Sullivan featured for the All Stars, Clarke and Johnson for the Seconds. Line-up:

All-Stars. Sullivan, 1 f. Harper, 1 f. Pothout, M. Raiston, c. Graham, 1 g. M. Raiston, Pothout, r. g. Seconds. r. g. E. Raiston, 1 f. Pothout, 1 f. Pothout, c. Clark, Graham, 1 g. r. f. Johnson, M. Raiston, Pothout, r. g. Score, All Stars 20, Seconds 18. Goals from floor, Clark 5, Raiston 2, Pothout 2, Sullivan 4, Harper 3, Johnson, Graham, Goals from fouls, E. Raiston 2, Referee, Fuller, Timers, Faulkner. Time, 15-minute halves. Attendance, 300.

Thorndike by One Point.

Thorndike managed to send the Enfield team home from Thorndike Saturday night a loser by one point, 24 to 25. Cahill, Doyle and W. Sullivan were the bright stars for Thorndike, while Harwood and Gale played best for the visitors. Line-up:

Thorndike. Cahill, 1 f. W. Sullivan, 1 f. Doyle, c. Brogan, 1 g. T. Sullivan, 1 g. Score, Thorndike 25, Enfield 24. Goals from floor, Cahill 4, Doyle 4, T. Sullivan 2, Brogan, Harwood 3, Gale, Rohan 2, Randall. Goals from fouls, Cahill 3, Referee, Albro, Timers, Gale. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 125.

state. The canning industry permits an easy violation of law, as children work in sheds which are not called factories. In Pennsylvania boys under 14 are found working as pickers in the mines by the side of men.

Miss Prescott of the Academy followed, telling of the conditions in the cotton states.

Miss Alice Sherman read extracts concerning the great part that young women and girls perform in our commercial, industrial and public service systems, and the need of more carefully safeguarding them in respect to health conditions.

J. S. R. Coy of Spencer has been engaged to drill the choir of the Congregational church, and met with them for the first time Tuesday evening.

Appropriation Meeting Draws Large Number.

Vote to Secure Quarters for Town Officers. Other Actions Taken. Good Work of Committee of 15. Results in Detail.

The annual appropriation meeting, held on Monday, was attended by a larger number of voters than has been present at a previous meeting for many years. The meeting was also one of the most harmonious. There was no argument and no sign of a controversy until it came to the question of instructing the selectmen to secure a suite of rooms for town offices. There was no argument then, but an insistence on a ballot. This resulted in 118 to 79 in favor of the proposition.

Thomas J. Moran was chosen moderator. The committee of 15 made a recommendation on every article calling for an appropriation with the exception of the one relating to town officers. The committee had done its work well, and the voters evidently thought intelligently, for they adopted all the committee's recommendations. It was to be noticed that the committee gave, without asking, in almost every instance, the reason for its recommendations, which was appreciated by all present.

Several important actions were taken by the meeting, perhaps the most important being that whereby the town is assured quarters for its officers more in keeping with the volume of business which the town transacts, and its dignity as a municipality than the present arrangement. A. W. Holbrook made a proposition to furnish six offices on the second floor of a substantial block which he proposes to erect on the corner of Main and Bridge streets, where the Commercial block was recently burned, including heat and the use of a large hall for caucus or hearing purposes without additional charge except for janitor service, the rent to be \$80 per month. It is understood that the proposition includes the installation of suitable fire-proof vaults for storage of documents. A yes and no vote was decided in the affirmative but was doubted, and a ballot was taken, the result being given above.

Of the \$6000 for highway repairs \$2000 is to be used for gravel roads, according to the vote taken. The appropriation of \$2500 for repair of permanent highways carried with it a special reference to Church street in Thorndike. In several places where new walks were asked for a compromise was made by ordering curbing set and grading done this year, with the idea that walks will be laid thereon next year; the abutters are to pay half the expense of the curbing. This is a move in the right direction, as the walks will then wear a much longer time than under the former method of leaving the edges unprotected. The most important place to be thus treated is the east side of Thorndike street in Palmer, between the bank block and Park street; the walk is narrow there and close to the electric car track, with great liability of accident to pedestrians.

The expected fight over a proposed appropriation for the Wing Memorial Hospital did not materialize. Instead of an appropriation for the care and maintenance of the institution, a compromise was affected whereby an appropriation of \$1000 was made, to be paid to the hospital treasurer and "used for charitable purposes within the town of Palmer." This will enable worthy residents of the town to be cared for there without cost and at the same time without placing them in the pauper class.

The selectmen reported a careful investigation of the electric lights which the town pays for, and gave the number as 393, the first definite information on the subject in recent years. Night police will be employed as usual; the appropriation was raised slightly, and the selectmen were empowered to make rules and regulations for the government of the officers. The additional money will go to the officer whom the selectmen will designate to prepare all cases for trial in court. The pauper department of town affairs will cost \$1500 more this year than last, \$10,000 being necessary in the opinion of the overseers, and given them. The boards of health and overseers of the poor will have a joint clerk, at a salary of \$200.

In the matter of an investigation into the town's rights in a strip of land in Bondsville, on which J. F. Shea has erected buildings, it was reported that the town has no rights whatever. A previous grant of a right of way over this land in connection with one of the

old school districts had seemed to give the town a right there. The report of the committee of 15 was accepted, and a special vote of thanks given the chairman, D. L. Bodfish. The committee will be continued another year, with the proviso that no town official shall have a place on it.

A committee consisting of D. F. Dillon, H. W. Holbrook and D. L. Bodfish was appointed to secure legislative approval of the appropriation for the Wing hospital, and also legislation which will enable the town to make such an appropriation in the future. The committee appointed last year on additional school accommodations in Palmer and Three Rivers reported that it is unadvisable to make any additions to buildings at the present time. Interest will be added to taxes remaining unpaid October 1.

The list of appropriations is as follows, the classification given being that of the new bookkeeping system of the town:

Selectmen.	\$ 500
Selectmen's salaries.	100
Clerk.	100
Contingent fund.	1,000
All others.	300
Auditing department.	\$1,900
Auditors' salaries.	40
Bookkeeper.	600
Postage, etc.	25
Licenses Commission.	65
Expenses.	15
Law department.	400
Wages and expenses.	400
Election and Registration.	45
Salaries and expenses.	185
Town hall.	48
Salaries and wages.	15
Sealing Weights and Measures.	200
Salary.	100
Insurance.	300
Workman's Compensation Insurance.	200
Protection of Persons and Property.	1,750
Night Police.	700
Care and rent of lockup.	200
Prosecuting illegal liquor sales.	200
Support of district court.	800
Reimbursing police officers.	100
Charities.	3,550
Salaries of Overseers.	430
Contingencies.	500
Support of poor.	10,000
Clerk.	200
Wing Hospital.	1,000
Health and Sanitation.	12,130
Use of Board of Health.	150
Inspection of milk and vinegar.	1,000
Inspection of cattle.	70
Sewers and culverts.	400
Treasury Department.	1,200
Bond.	1,670
All other.	400
Tax Collector's Department.	100
Salary.	600
Bond.	100
All other.	800
Assessors' Department.	100
Salaries.	900
All other.	1,000
Town Clerk's Department.	100
Salary.	150
Fire Department.	250
Insurance and Maintenance.	400
Auto truck.	300
Old car for repairs.	375
Forest Warden's Department.	675
Salary.	1,000
All other.	1,200
Gypsy Moth Department.	100
Services superintendent.	100
Town Warden's Department.	100
Services of Warden.	100
Extirpation Elm Tree.	400
Beetles.	400
Care and improvement of shade trees.	200
Highways.	700
General repairs.	6,000
Repair permanent highways.	2,500
For Superintendent's salary.	1,000
Resurface Main street, Bondsville.	1,000
Repair Thorndike street, Palmer.	4,500
Repair North Main street, Palmer.	1,000
Watering streets.	1,000
Repair of bridges.	1,000
Repair tar walks.	1,000
Repair ash walks.	500
Railroad.	250
New walks.	500
Curbing on Thorndike street, Palmer.	191
Curbing and walk, Highland street, Palmer.	250
Curbing and grading, Church, Pleasant and School streets, Palmer.	215
Street lighting.	7,467
Unclassified.	28,573
Repairs Town Clock.	75
Repairs Bell Bury.	100
Soldiers' relief.	300
Cemeteries.	
Salary of Secretary.	150
Care and improvement.	1,050
Supplies.	100
Teams.	60
Equipment and repairs.	40
Improvements.	100
All other.	1,600
Claims.	
Award P. M. Shearer.	280
Education.	
Schools.	48,600
Public Library.	2,500
	\$108,433

Action on the several articles in the warrant was as follows:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Thomas J. Moran.

Art. 2. To choose two or more Field Drivers—Measures of Wood and Bark, and all other usual town officers.

Field Drivers—P. M. Shearer, James Summers.

Measurers of wood and bark—J. M. Allen, R. L. Bond, H. M. Albro.

Art. 3. To act on the reports of the town officers.

All accepted as printed.

Art. 9. To determine the date from which taxes shall bear interest.

October 1.

Art. 10. To determine the manner and state the terms and conditions of collecting the taxes for the ensuing year, and fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

The collector's salary was fixed at \$600. He will be paid the full amount

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High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

There has been no basketball practice this week for either boys or girls.

Marion Davis, '15, has been absent for over two weeks on account of illness.

Principal J. F. Hurley was absent Wednesday owing to the death of his brother.

Several pupils took part in the Old Folks' Concert presented by the firemen Tuesday.

The boys have no basketball games scheduled for this week, but will play again next week.

The February list of Seniors eligible for graduation has been posted. A few names are missing.

The Commercial Seniors have begun office training work, which will be continued for the rest of the year.

The Sophomores have begun to select their pieces for the prize speaking contest, to be held in a few weeks.

The editorial board of the Palmer has voted to insert the pictures of the basketball team in the next issue.

In the commercial spelling mid-years Margaret McKenzie, '15, and Raymond Tucker, '16, obtained a rank of 100 per cent.

Principal Hurley attended the meeting of the Head Masters' Club of Western Massachusetts in Greenfield last Saturday.

Miss Barton, '15, entertained the Senior English class last Friday morning by a ten-minute talk on United States lighthouses.

Last Friday morning William Collins '14, now of Brown University, and William Brown '14, now of Tufts, were visitors at school.

The report cards for January were given out Thursday morning. Some marks suffered, due to the omission of the January monthly examinations on account of the mid-years.

The girls' basketball team recently invited the Ludlow High girls to meet them in a game, but the latter declined, on the ground that they are not strong enough to play outside teams.

The Seniors have chosen the following to sell candy at the Senior play: Mollie Barton, '15, Lawrence Martin P. G., Walter Mansfield '15, Rubie Jones '15, Margaret McKenzie '15, Wesley Magee.

In a recent typewriting test John Healy, '15, and Clayton Brown, '16, won Remington pennants, and William Farrell and William Monroe, '15, won efficiency certificates and cases. So far this year there have been 12 awards made to this school.

The singing classes are learning a cantata, to be sung in the Athletic Association concert. It is entitled, "The Building of the Ship," is in two parts and is from the poem by Henry W. Longfellow.

William Brown '14, of Tufts, Leslie Cameron '14, of the M. A. C., William Collins '14, of Brown University, William McKenzie '14, of Tufts, and Raymond Wilder '13, of Brown University, were at home for a few days last week.

The following shows the class and three or more of the highest records in spelling in the commercial department for the month of January:

Names.	Possible trials.	Errors.	Per cent.
Entire Junior Class, 10,125	222	88	
William Donahue,	375	0	100
Edith Hamilton,	375	0	100
Edna Shaw,	375	0	100
Entire Senior Class, 6,375	116	98	
Rubie Jones,	375	0	100
Irene Riddle,	375	0	100
Mary Sullivan,	375	0	100

The three lowest averages for the Seniors were respectively 94, 94 and 96 per cent; for the Juniors 90, 91 and 96 per cent.

The girls' basketball social for the benefit of the Athletic Association, held last Thursday evening in the grammar school hall in Thorndike, was a success and the girls cleared \$14.25. The hall was prettily decorated with bunting and with comic valentines tacked on the walls. After music and vaudeville by some sophomores, dancing began, the first being a favor dance. After dancing valentine boxes of lunch were auctioned off, the buyers eating with the girls who put up the lunches. Dancing followed the lunch.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Miss Esther C. Bell has returned from a visit in Suffield, Ct.

Edward M. Carney recently caught a pickerel in Nine Mile pond measuring 20 inches and weighing three pounds. This is the largest fish ever caught in this pond.

News of the engagement of Miss Christine H. Pinney of Belfast, N. Y., to Rev. Thomas E. Williams of Newark Valley, N. Y., a former pastor of Grace Union church of this place, has been received in town.

CHURCH FEDERATION.

Discussed at Meeting of Congregational Society.

COMMITTEE WILL DRAW UP A PLAN.

In Conjunction With a Committee From Universalist Church, For the Members' Approval.

The meeting of the Congregational church last evening to consider the proposition of a federation with the Universalist church was attended by a much larger number of members than any other meeting of recent years. Members of the congregation not church members were invited, and both the vestry of the church and the ladies' parlor adjoining were filled to capacity. The size of the gathering is indicated by the 80 ballots cast for moderator, only church members being allowed to vote. D. L. Bodfish was chosen moderator. The meeting was called to see if the church would appoint a committee to meet a similar committee from the Universalist church to consider the question of federation, as recommended by those who were at the meeting of representatives from both churches on the evening of January 31, as told last week. Information was asked concerning the proposition, and the tentative articles of agreement presented at that meeting were read by L. E. Chandler. Addresses were made by several, outlining the plans to some extent and telling of the good it is believed can be accomplished—especially for the youth of the place—if the plans are carried out. Some discussion followed. It was voted that a committee of three be appointed to confer with the committee from the Universalist church in forming a detailed plan and drawing up articles of federation, the committee to report at a later meeting, to be called by the clerk of the church. The committee consists of L. H. Gager, C. H. Hobson and Rev. Eric Allen.

The proposed federation has been much talked of during the past week, not only by the members of the two churches, but by members of other denominations, and there are many who favor the proposition for the good it is believed will result to the boys and girls of the village. Many kind words for the plan have been heard from the members of other churches. Naturally, also, not all the members of the interested churches favor the plan, although it is certain that a number who were opposed at the first, when they have come to understand the matter more fully, have changed their minds.

A meeting of women was held Saturday evening at the home of Rev. Eric Allen for the purpose of gaining detailed information. Rev. Mr. Moxom of Springfield was present and spoke. He told of the great growth of such combinations all over the country at the present time, and the many advantages to be derived from such a movement, both spiritually and for the community at large. Especially is there opportunity for such a move in the smaller places with limited resources, which often prevent, when administered by two organizations, the accomplishment of much good which can be brought about by a unity of funds and effort. He had heard through the press of the proposed action in Palmer, and hoped that the people were "about to commit a glorious achievement," for it could be nothing else.

Sunday afternoon there was a large gathering of women of the Universalist church at the home of Mrs. H. W. Holbrook on North Main street to hear details of the plan from Rev. Eric Allen of the Congregational church. Sunday evening members of both congregations met in the Congregational church to hear from Rev. H. F. Legg of Wilbraham the story of the federation of the Methodist and Congregational churches in that place. The recital was a most interesting one, beginning with the burning of the Congregational church four years ago, the uniting at that time of the two congregations for public worship by reason of the fire, and the growth together of the two until they decided to continue as one under special articles of federation which give either an opportunity to withdraw at any time, both church properties—Congregational people having rebuilt—being used. Instead of two barely existing societies as formerly, there is now one strong organization, which is growing rapidly in numbers and influence in the community, with ample funds for all purposes and a rapidly increasing balance, to be used as occasion requires.

BRIMFIELD.

Mrs. Sarah A. Doolittle Dead.

Mrs. Sarah A. Doolittle, 73, of Winchester, N. H., died Friday morning at the Brimfield hotel, where she was spending the winter with her daughter, Mrs. S. J. Pentland, the wife of the proprietor of the hotel. Mrs. Doolittle had been in feeble health for some years, but had been comfortable during the winter and able to go about the house. She was taken ill Wednesday with cerebral convulsions and did not regain consciousness. Mrs. Doolittle was Miss Sarah Ann Shepherd of Greenwich, N. Y. She was married January 4, 1863, to George H. Doolittle of Winchester, N. H., where her life was afterward spent. She was a member of the Universalist church in Winchester, which was the first church of that denomination established in New Hampshire. As long as her strength permitted, she was active in church and neighborhood work. She was a woman of rare personality and beauty of character, and had the affectionate regard of all with whom she was associated. The death of Mr. Doolittle occurred in July, 1908. Of late years two widowed sisters, Mrs. Hattie M. Harris, who is 80 years old, and Mrs. Ellie N. Hawkins, have made their home with Mrs. Doolittle in Winchester. She is survived by her sisters and by a brother, Julie Shepherd, who lives in the West. Besides her daughter, Mrs. Pentland, she leaves a son, Leon G. Doolittle of Worcester. There are eight grandchildren and also one great grandchild, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Pentland at the hotel. The body was taken Saturday to Winchester for burial, and the funeral was held Sunday.

Interesting Evening "With Napoleon."

A lecture illustrated by stereopticon views on the French Revolution and Napoleon was given in the Academy hall Friday evening by Principal Kenney's class in modern history. As a school exercise the presentation of the parts was highly creditable, and it was of great interest to the parents and friends of the school present as well as to the pupils. The parts were taken as follows: "Causes of the French Revolution," Anna Brackett; "The Reign of Terror," Joseph Turner; "Early Life of Napoleon," Albert Moore; "Consulate and Italian campaign," Dorothy Loveland; "Egyptian campaign," Stanley Howes; "Prussian campaign," Clayton Kenfield; "Russian campaign," Raymond Gardner; "Strategy of Waterloo," Lysle Davenport; "Return from Elba, and the One Hundred Days," Mary Freeman; "Public works of Napoleon," Mary Hynes; "Death of Napoleon and characterization," Arthur Carroll. Each part was illustrated by appropriate slides, of which there were over 50. There were introduced also the singing of the "Marseillaise," with English and with French words by the school, and recitations from "The Eve of Waterloo," "Ye Mariners of England," and "Hohenlinden," by the individual members of the class in connection with their respective parts. This was the beginning of a series of school exercises in history with the use of the stereopticon to carry out Principal Kenney's belief that the retaining of historical knowledge is assisted by impressions on the eye. The subject of Friday evening was chosen as the one to which as a center the study of European history has been related in the classroom during the present term's work.

Tell Results of Farm Surveys.

An important farmers' meeting was held in the hall of the Hitchcock Free Academy last Thursday evening. It consisted of a farm management conference to consider the report of the farm surveys undertaken last fall by the Massachusetts Agricultural College and the United States department of agriculture, co-operating with the Brimfield Vocational Agricultural School.

The meeting was conducted by Benjamin Ellis, who has recently been promoted to the position of director of farm management and state leader in the extension department of Massachusetts Agricultural College, and Irving G. Davis, instructor of the Brimfield school. Mr. Ellis spent a number of weeks in town last fall and made surveys of 45 farms. The results have been tabulated and analyzed by Mr. Ellis and Mr. Davis, and their report was presented in the form of charts and stereopticon slides with explanations, showing in detail the profitable and unprofitable methods of farming practiced in Brimfield. Factor sheets exhibiting the items of expenditures and receipts on the various farms were shown, although the farms were not named. Profitable and unprofitable farms in other places were also indicated in the same way. The latter part of the evening was occupied by Mr. Davis, who drew some important conclusions from the facts presented and made practical applications to conditions in the town. He dwelt on the mistake of keeping more herd help than the productiveness of a farm will warrant. The operations of a farm on which the full time of the hired man cannot be made profitable, should be reduced to a one-man basis. The stock should be reduced, and fruit, poultry, garden truck, hay for market

as money crops, may be raised, together with some thoroughbred stock. Mr. Davis also discussed top-dressing, and held that by proper methods and suitable fertilizers, hay can be grown for market without running down the soil. He showed on the screen pictures of a large hay crop on a field where this has been successfully carried on in Brimfield.

There was an excellent attendance of farmers and others present from different parts of the town. Twenty-nine out of the 45 farms surveyed were represented in the attendance.

This week Mr. Davis and Walter Bronson, who has succeeded Mr. Ellis as farm demonstrator in the extension service of Massachusetts Agricultural College, are visiting the 45 farmers whose farms were surveyed, carrying to each the factor sheets which tabulate the results, and giving suggestions and recommendations which may be carried out to advantage. They will take the data of a new survey at the same time.

Miss Edna Currier, English teacher in the Hitchcock Free Academy, who has been ill with inflammatory rheumatism for several weeks, has been moved to the Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston.

The women teachers of the Academy and grade schools conducted a very interesting meeting of the Women's Missionary Society in the parlor of the church last Friday afternoon. "The Child at School" was the subject. Miss Tarbell opened the program with readings about "School children the world over," and was followed by Miss Thayer, who told of what the missionary schools are accomplishing. Miss Prescott spoke of the apparent appreciation of the natives in missionary lands for the need of education. Miss Smith also spoke of the desire for and the appreciation of the natives for missionary schools. A paper on kindergarten work in Japan was given by Miss Lathrop, and Miss Hitchcock presented a paper on the physical development of the Chinese. Mrs. Kenney represented education as the avenue through which the Christian religion is introduced.

WARE.

Philip W. Robinson started Saturday on a trip to Chicago, Ill., and Sioux City, Ia. He expects to be gone about a month.

The Otis Company began a 54-hour schedule Monday morning for the carding and spinning departments, which will benefit about 450 employees. The other departments will maintain the 40-hours time.

Mrs. Joseph Berube, 39, died at her home last Thursday night after a brief illness with apoplexy. Mr. Berube died about a year ago. She is survived by two children. The funeral was held in Mt. Carmel church Saturday morning, and burial was in Mt. Carmel cemetery.

Miss Rose A. Desforges of this town and Wilfred Henrichson of Three Rivers were married by Rev. William A. Lucey in Mt. Carmel church Monday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Henrichson will make their home in Three Rivers on their return from a wedding trip spent in Boston, and Providence, R. I.

Miss Katherine O'Brien and James Fitzpatrick were married in All Saints church Monday morning by Rev. Arthur Sheedy. They were attended by Miss Mary O'Brien, sister of the bride, and Walter Fitzpatrick, brother of the groom. After a wedding trip to New York Mr. and Mrs. Fitzpatrick will make their home in Springfield, where he is employed in the post office.

Roy A. Shepherd of Broad Brook, Ct., formerly of this town, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Shepherd of Broad Brook, Friday of tuberculosis. He will be remembered by the younger people of the town, being a member of the Ware high school previous to leaving this town five years ago. Funeral services were held at the home Saturday, and the body was brought to Ware for burial in Aspen Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Henrietta Carey, 64, died at the Ware hospital Monday morning after a short illness with pneumonia. She was a native of Canada, but had been a resident of Ware for about 55 years. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Mary E. McGilpin of Southbridge. The funeral was held from All Saints' church Tuesday morning, and burial was in St. William's cemetery.

WARREN.

Extra precautions and a rigid quarantine are being made to prevent the spread of diphtheria in town. Monyka Sabloski, an eight-years-old Polish boy, died of black diphtheria Sunday night and there are fifty people living in the same block, where there are already two other cases.

The marriage of Miss Elizabeth M. Towne and William E. Toleman, both of this town, took place at the home of Justice of the Peace William F. Duncan Monday evening. They were attended by Miss Bedelia Win on of Warren and Peter S. Wallace of Ludlow. Mr. and Mrs. Toleman will make their home on River street.

The selectmen organized Monday afternoon with Lester Burroughs chairman, and Edward D. Sullivan clerk. The overseers of the poor elected Herbert N. Shephard chairman, and

Albert B. Patrick clerk. William E. Nichols was elected chairman of the board of registrars, and William F. Duncan clerk. The cemetery commissioners elected Frank E. Gleason chairman, and F. Edward Lombard clerk.

HAMPDEN.

Mrs. F. J. Kenworthy entertained the members of the Hampden Equal Suffrage League at her home last Thursday afternoon. The next meeting will be with Miss Elizabeth Sessions in two weeks.

Hampden Grange held its regular meeting Friday evening with a large number present. The following program was given: Piano solo, Mrs. Lora A. Pease; reading, Miss Mildred Pease; roll-call of male members; discussion, "Which is the Best Roofing?" reading, Miss Inez Burleigh; song, Mrs. Lora A. Pease. An informal dance was enjoyed at the conclusion of the entertainment.

BELCHERTOWN.

Prof. Schick of Amherst was here Tuesday evening in the interests of a club for boys, an organization much needed in town.

The new board of selectmen organized Tuesday evening as follows: Chairman, E. F. Shumway; secretary, George Warner.

The Buzzy Buzzers were entertained at the home of Mrs. Alfred Squires Thursday evening by Mrs. Frederick Lincoln and Mrs. Squires.

About 25 friends from the Unitarian society of Northfield were entertained at the Park View Hotel by Mrs. George Alderman last Thursday.

The transportation committee appointed at the town meeting have organized with M. O. Morse chairman, G. H. B. Greene secretary, and other members are A. F. Bardwell, William Orlando and M. S. Barton.

Members of the Turkey Hill Rest Club and the East Side Whist Club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Sauer in the Blue Meadow district last Thursday evening. Supper was served to about 60, and an enjoyable evening spent.

News of the marriage in Calais, Me., on September 5 of F. Dudley Walker Jr., only son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Walker, to Miss Grace Louise Harris, daughter of Mrs. Samuel W. Harris of that place, comes as a pleasant surprise to his many friends here. Mr. Walker is a frequent visitor at his home here, West View, the family home of his uncle, the late M. P. Walker.

Miss Mary E. Leach, 81, died last week Wednesday evening at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Lucretia Thurston of South Main street. Miss Leach was born here and received her education in the public schools of this place. For the past 12 years she had made her home with her aunt. Besides Mrs. Thurston she is survived by a brother, Lorenzo of Brattleboro, Vt., and a sister, Miss Clara Leach. The funeral was held Friday afternoon from the Congregational chapel.

There was a large attendance at the supper and social entertainment by the Social Circle of the Congregational church last week. Mrs. Robert Bridgman had charge of the program, which was as follows: Music by a girls' chorus, composed of the Misses Susie Squires, Irene Orlando, Luella and Isabelle Bardwell; selections by a trio, Philip Bridgman, Carl Aspengrin and Harold Bailey; and reading by Mrs. Roy G. Shaw.

Mrs. Minnie Allen Wilson, 45, well known here, died in a New York hospital Sunday afternoon as the result of an operation. Mrs. Wilson had made her home in Belchertown up to 12 years ago, when she married and went away. She had a summer home here and was a visitor here every season. She is the daughter of Mrs. Jane Allen, who survives her; she also leaves her husband and two sisters, Mrs. Frederick Wright of Springfield and Mrs. Ira Damon of this town. The body was cremated and the ashes brought to Belchertown yesterday.

Circumstantial.

"Patricia denied that young Wasserer by kissed her in the conservatory, but the evidence was against her."

"How so?"

"There was a large hole in her complexion on the left side of her face."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

His Talents.

"What makes you think Daubner will succeed as a painter?"

"He has the soul of an artist and the perseverance of a book agent."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Tree Leaf Markings.

Expert botanists have found that the age of trees can be told by the leaf markings—the older a tree the smaller and more numerous its leaf cells.

One thorn of experience is worth a whole wilderness of warning.—Lowell.

Evidence.

He—Didn't it ever occur to you that I was in love with you? She—Certainly. Haven't you ever noticed me laughing to myself?—Philadelphia Ledger.

Both Heard.

Clinton—Did you get in without your wife hearing you last night? Club-leigh—No; nor without my hearing her either.—Boston Transcript.

...A... CAREER

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

Edward Wilkins was a farmer boy who when he was but seven years old showed signs of a towering ambition. Even at that tender age he discerned that, while there were a number of sources of power, the one that covered the widest field was wealth. At any rate, he saw persons living in fine houses and driving about in style, and he not only envied them, but resolved that as soon as he was able to accumulate money it should be the object of his life.

When Edward was fourteen he said good-by to his father and mother and went to the city to begin a career. Being bright and ready at all times for work, he found a situation and not only kept it, but advanced rapidly. As he grew older there was no desire in him for money in itself, but for the power and prominence it would give him. Except for the first few years he spent in the city, he did not accumulate by saving. The fortune that came to him was the result rather of daring operations, for which he seemed to have a genius.

After awhile Edward Wilkins had accumulated so much money that it seemed impossible he should ever be poor. His safety lay in having so much capital that he could carry through any scheme he undertook. If he wished to buy all the corn in the country and hold it at his own price he was able to do so. Did he choose to buy a rail-way he could first depress the stock, then purchase it and hold it at his own valuation.

Wilkins had no desire to exercise the power his wealth gave him. He was content with knowing that he possessed it. He did not care for political preferment; he took no interest in influencing the course of the government.

When the great financier was forty years of age he had reached the summit of his ambition. He had acquired enormous power through his wealth, but since the exercise of that power would give him no enjoyment he had come to the end of his desire. He was like Alexander, who complained because there were no more kingdoms to conquer.

When an active brain tires of what has occupied and fed it there comes a craving for something to take its place. One such person will spend years building a sumptuous residence, which is more likely to be a sepulcher than a home. Another will turn author, taking comfort in giving to the world theories for which it has no use. Wilkins, now that he had reached his goal in half a lifetime, began to wonder what would be the end of the other half. After a continued rise to the summit would he descend again to end his career in the valley?

One thing he had lived long enough to recognize. Life appeared to him a constant shifting. Nothing seemed to endure unless it was inanimate, and even that, though slowly, was continually changing its form. There were mountains where there had been valleys and valleys where there had been mountains. Cities had been buried for centuries, forgotten, then uncovered to serve as curiosities. Whole sections of land had slid down into the sea and passed out of sight.

What would become of his great fortune? He knew that after his death it would pass back into the great ocean of wealth. But would he retain it for the rest of his life? Now that he had achieved it he no longer valued it and cared not so much what was to become of it as what was to become of him. Enough to give him the ordinary comforts essential to old age was all he desired. But that much was of great moment to him.

One night he dreamed a vivid dream. He dreamed that he returned to the farm and was a boy again. Yet he possessed all the experience he had acquired. His ambition was gone. He said to himself: "Here I am, and here I wish to remain. My body is not as it was, full of life. It is tired. All I desire is rest."

It was a strange dream, this old spirit in a young body. It made a marked impression on him at the time, but gradually passed out of his mind with other forgotten things.

When Wilkins found that he had attained his desire he bethought himself what he could do to replace the object he had lost. Like many other rich men under similar circumstances, he decided to build himself a magnificent residence. He had long owned the farm on which he had been born. His father and mother had died there, and he had no use for the place. So the house was shut up and the land left untillied, though he gave orders that the house and fences should be kept in repair. The farm marked his beginning; the palace he was about to build would mark his end.

He spent a year on designs for his residence, then began to build. Four years passed, and it was not finished. Indeed, he did not wish it finished. He clung to building it for something to occupy him. When it was complete and he moved in he seemed lost in it. It was big enough for a hundred families, and there was only himself to use it.

One day when he felt ill and tired and lonely he concluded to go to the farm. He had not been there in many years. The view in front of the house he had always loved, and he sat down on the little porch to look at it.

Then he remembered his dream. He never left this place of his birth. In a few weeks he died.

Only the actions of the just
Smell sweet and blossom in the dust.

War and Counterfeits.

Prior to Napoleon's 1812 campaign the Paris gendarmes one night made a raid on a house in the Plaine Montrouge and discovered quite a fine manufactory of false notes. There was quite a stir next day when the police minister made the announcement that the manufactory had been started "by order of the emperor." The false notes, which were Austrian and Russian instead of French, were intended for use against the enemy on the Russian expedition, but the bulk of them came to grief during the great retreat.

Wellington was responsible for a similar stroke of business during the peninsular war. Being badly in need of gold when about to invade France, he conceived the queer idea of hunting out some counterfeit coiners from the ranks. Quite a number of these gentry were forthcoming, and these were ordered by the duke to exercise their evil art by transferring his English sovereigns into louis d'or and napoleons.—London Globe.

The Stronger Hand.

If you are right handed, then the right hand is stronger than the left. If you are left handed the left hand will be stronger. If you are truly ambidextrous the strength of both hands will be equal. The advantage of one hand over the other is due to the greater exercise it may receive. All the muscles of our arms and legs are developed by exercise, and their respective strength will be in accordance with their use. That the right hand is stronger than the left can be proved by discontinuing the use of the right arm for several weeks by tying it to the side of your body. When you release the arm you will find that much of its strength is gone and that now the left hand is stronger. This applies to a right handed person, and the test would work the other way with a left handed person. This goes to show that the strength of hands and arms is unconsciously affected by the amount of rational exercise.—Exchange.

Its Development.

"How does a language grow?"
"I should suppose from the roots of the words."—San Francisco Chronicle.

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Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.

Many Committee Hearings—Much Labor Legislation—Woman Suffrage Amendment Gets Vote—Brown Vindicated—World State Proposition.

BOSTON, February 8. — We are now in the full run of committee hearings, when so many great projects are pending that no one can more than begin to keep track of them and when there are so many little matters mixed with them that it is difficult to separate the vital from the transient. In the midst of it all there is evident the marvelous growth of the state. It is a state fact which the observer at the state house realizes more and more, that all of our people are narrow-minded regarding public affairs, and that even the broadest man in the state is nowhere near big enough to comprehend the truth. The observer will feel that this is certainly true of himself, at any rate, whatever breadth may exist in other people. But the palpable fact is that other people are just as narrow. There is a constant clash of selfish interests. Men and women of all sorts are looking out for No. 1, for their class in the business or industrial work, or for their town, or city, or county. But there are precious few who are looking out for the state as a whole. Everybody wants to work the public. It is the rule to give the state the small end of the bargain and trust to the taxpayers to carry the load.

One of the remarkable proofs of the growth of the state is in the constant activity of the labor men. This is a subject wearisome and troublesome to the employers and to the taxpayers. They would all be extremely glad if the labor men could be kept away from the state house and give the people some relief from their constant demands. The labor people, on their side, are looking out for themselves just as selfishly as the other people, but they have, when their cases are considered, far more of a plea of justice and humanity back of them than their critics and opponents. This winter, when the bread line is long, when the ranks of the unemployed are overflowing, when there are thousands of honest and sober men down and out for want of work while plenty of others have such a good time that the theater audiences are large and light-hearted, there is evidently something grossly and universally wrong in the way the rewards of living are distributed. Public regulation is imperative for the relief of men out of work just as honest and capable as those who have plenty of work and high salaries. Those salaries are never cut down. The most that hard times do is to check, for a little time, perhaps, and only perhaps, the constant upward movement in salaries. The Legislature is hounded constantly by its constituents who demand that they get through business and go home. Every year many laws must be amended because of haste and undue lack of consideration caused by this popular hounding, and then the public clamors against the Legislature because laws are hastily passed. But the foolish public are to blame and this process will continue till decent knowledge exists among the people regarding the importance of the public business.

The labor men have just got the benefit of the new workmen's compensation law, which gives them hundreds of thousands of dollars a year which they would never have got under the old system. Yet the common sense of the state affirms that this law is just. This year, owing to the defects, or possible improvements or changes in the law, there is a list of two pages in the "Daily List" of titles of bills for amendments of this law. Thus the cause of the labor men grows. The workmen's compensation act is only one of many lines upon which the advance is made, and there is progress on all of them.

But labor is only one small part of the constant agitation which is in progress. It is surprising what small noise is made by even the largest matter, for there are so many that no one can monopolize public attention.

Without any opposition to speak of the Senate has passed through both stages the straight woman suffrage amendment, and it is doubtless the policy of the House to follow suit. Yet Senator Wells of Essex—one of the finest members of recent years, by way—says that in consequence of a personal canvass he made of the Senate, he knows that 27 of the senators who voted to send the amendment to the people will vote against it at the polls. The women have demanded this test of their popular support. They have scared the politicians of both classes, and the consequence is that the senators and representatives believe that the time has come to end the annual bother for another decade, and that if the amendment is sent to the people they will surely kill it and then the politicians will have peace. Hence the suffragists must not take any comfort to themselves and must not talk of victory in carrying the Legislature for their proposition, for it has no meaning as a proof of gains for their cause.

There has been no particular change during the week in the political situation. Gov. Walsh still refuses to say whether or not he is a candidate for a third term. Some of the observers are sure that he does not wish to face inevitable defeat in the fall at the hands of a reunited Republican party, whereas the possibility of a Republican split over the issue of A. P. A. is involved in the candidacy of Lieut. Gov. Cushing may make him decide to run once more with the expectation that he could win because many Republicans would not support an A. P. A. candidate for governor. If he believes that there is no hope for the Democrats, then he can retire early.

The Brown case seems to be ended with Brown fully vindicated through the investigation made by the committee on rules on the order for an investigation, which Brown filed before he went out of office. But it remains to be seen what will be done with the Walker case, which comes home closer to the people of Western Massachusetts. Gov. Walsh is reported to have done what he could to prevent the reopening of the case by the council. Lieut. Gov. Cushing has come to Walker's aid, practically, though he is making votes for himself at the same time, with his declaration that he would never consent, as governor, to the removal of officials in the way in which Brown and Walker were removed. There has been no opportunity for the friends of Walker to show their hands and, in the meantime, their wrath at the governor's methods has had no opportunity for explosion. Hence it is to be expected that there will be further opportunity for political action, and there is no doubt that capital will be made against the governor.

One of the hearings of the week will be by the committee on federal relations on the petition for the adoption of a resolution asking Congress to declare for the promotion of the world state. This petition, though not widely circulated, has some first-class signers. Among them are President Kenyon L. Butterfield of the agricultural college, Rev. Dr. Francis E. Clark, founder and head of the Society of Christian Endeavor, President James H. Hustis of the Boston and Maine Railroad, former State Treasurer Elmer A. Stevens, David Snedden, the state commissioner of education, former Senators Charles E. Ward and Charles A. Gleason, Trustees William H. Bowker and Frank A. Hosmer of the agricultural college, and other first-class men. The proposition at the bottom of the petition is that there is sure to come a world state, based upon world sovereignty, which will hold to all the nations a relation similar to that held to our states by our national government; that by this organization of the world state permanent peace will be assured on earth, and that such peace will be only the beginning of prosperity beyond human power to imagine. There would be a world police, as must be in a world where force is supreme, but the world government will prevent the operation of great armies of nations against each other, and all national issues will be settled in world courts.

There is an energetic movement for the passage of a bill to prevent smoking in public places. Frederick G. Pugsley is the man who is doing most for it, but he has enlisted the support of some of the strong moral forces in the state and is sending circulars to the members and conducting a lively campaign.

Ancient Origin of Military Salute.
When did the military salute come into use? It certainly dates from the earlier half of the fifteenth century, says the St. James' Gazette. In the "Speculum Humanae Salvationis," which was issued before the invention of printing by movable types, there is an exceedingly quaint illustration in which Abraham is represented as saluting Melchisedec. The patriarch is in medieval armor and apparently on guard, and it would seem that Melchisedec is bringing him refreshments of water, and the salute is distinctly the military one still in use.

What Hurt Most.
"Why are you crying so bitterly, little man?" asked the kind hearted old lady as she patted the tearful youngster on his head.
"Bill Jones hit me on the nose," was the boy's reply.
"Did he hurt you much?"
"Now, he didn't hurt me at all, but he ran away before I could hit him back."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

The Golden Fleece.
The noted Order of the Golden Fleece is a military one instituted by Philip the Good, Duke of Burgundy. In 1429, on the occasion of his marriage with the Portuguese Princess Isabella, the order now belongs to both Spain and Austria.

The Pessimist.
No doing anything with a pessimist. When you find a bright side for him he won't look at it for fear the light might blind him.—Atlanta Constitution

A Difficult Case.
Maud—Have you given Jack any opportunities to propose? Betty—Yes; but I couldn't tell him they were opportunities.—Boston Transcript.

A Lunatic Crew

By M. QUAD

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We were due east of the island of Luzon, one of the Philippine group, and heading down the China sea with a cargo for London when we caught the tail of a typhoon. We were lying to and making fairly good weather of it when a Spanish ship, also lying to, hove into sight. She was lighter and drove faster to leeward. She was about a mile to windward of us when first sighted, and no great attention was given her until it was seen that she was drifting squarely down upon us. As she came nearer we saw that her crew were dancing about on her decks like a lot of drunken men and paying no attention to the storm. Her foretopmast had gone overboard, and much of her canvas had blown away, and she was being held in the wind's eye by a tarpaulin set in the rigging. A sheer of the wheel would have sent the Spanish ship clear of us by half a cable's length, but the fellows drifted down without paying us the slightest attention, and she did not move by ten feet. As she rode past we could look right into the eyes of her crew. They were about thirty in number, and they yelled and screamed at us like so many lunatics. Brief as was the time, we all noticed one peculiarity about them.

Beyond cursing the Spanish crew for a gang of idiots we had little to say. The idea of fear of the storm had made them take to drink, as is often the case, and they were going to Davy Jones' with a jag on. Six hours later the storm broke, and we headed our course, but within six hours we were pitching about on the troubled sea without way enough to ruffle a feather. I turned in at 8 o'clock that night and turned out again at midnight for the morning watch. After midnight the sea began to go down very fast, and at 2 o'clock there was only what you might call a tumble on. It was then that we faintly caught the sound of voices in whooping and singing to the south of us. It was thick night, and nothing could be made out, but at 4 o'clock we got a light breeze and had not been wafted along a knot when we had the Spanish ship again under our eyes. All her topmasts were gone now, while a portion of her bulwarks was smashed in, and she looked a bad wreck.

We headed for the wreck at once, and when we came within hailing distance we asked if help was wanted. The reply was a chorus of shrieks and screams, while many of the men shook their fists at us in defiance. It looked like a case of mutiny, and our captain was at a loss to know what step to take. Before he could make up his mind the Spaniards had lowered a boat and pulled for us. Every one of the crew piled into the boat, and we saw them grab up belaying pins, capstan bars and whatever else could be used as weapons. The boat came dashing at us with every man yelling and whooping, and they tried boarding us at once. We had no better weapons with which to beat them off, and we were three less in number, but when we looked into their fierce eyes and saw murder there we struck to kill.

They fought like tigers and seemed insensible to blows, but we beat them off at last.

Four of their number went to the bottom of the sea with broken skulls, and of those pulled away all were more or less hurt. We knew now that they were lunatics instead of drunken men, and we stood by till noon in the hope that they would calm down. They appeared to after awhile, but just as soon as we lowered a boat they woke up again and raged like wild beasts. We could understand nothing of their shouts except that they were oaths, and in the face of their determined opposition we could not board their craft. It was 2 o'clock in the afternoon before we squared away and left them, and then a fierce fight was going on, and at least one man had been thrown overboard to drown.

You may well guess that we aboard the Bristol were astonished and mystified by the singular incident, but the explanation when it came was very simple in a sense. The Spanish ship had a Filipino for a cook. He had trouble with both officers and men and was determined to have revenge. Before sailing from Luzon he had provided himself with a quantity of seed from the plant known as arripe. It is a wild kelp, and a decoction makes a madman of the drinker. How he managed to serve it out to the whole crew at once will never be known, but that was what he did and perhaps drank a share himself. The ship was manned by a lunatic crew when she drove down on us before the gale, and they were lunatics when we left them fighting and drifting. Ten days later the ship, which had become a wreck below and aloft, was picked up by a steamer and towed into port. Not a man living or dead was found on board. They had fought each other to the last and then the sole survivor had sought death beneath the waves. The cook had probably mixed the poisonous decoction with their coffee or wine soon after the storm had struck them, though not before she was in shape to ride it out. How long it was after we left them no one could say, but very likely not more than a day or so had passed when the last of the lunatics gave up his life and the ship went drifting and drifting with the sun drying up the hundred bloodstains on her littered deck.

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Coffee Pots	10-quart 42c	10-quart 33c	12-inch 7c
1½-quart 25c	12-quart 55c	12-quart 39c	14-inch 7c
2-quart 28c	Double Boilers	Dish Pans	Measuring Cups 8c
3-quart 31c	1-quart 35c	14-quart 39c	Bread Pans 13c
Tea Kettles	2-quart 42c	Pudding Pans	Oblong Pans
No. 7 size 45c	3-quart 55c	2-quart 10c	Medium size 12c
No. 8 size 55c	Milk Cans	3-quart 12c	Wash Basins
Berlin Sauce Pans	1-quart 18c	4-quart 15c	Large size 15c
2½-quart 19c	2-quart 22c	Pie Plates (shallow)	Stove Pots
3½-quart 25c	Lipped Sauce Pans	9-inch 10c	No. 7 size 53c
6-quart 31c	1½-quart 10c	10-inch 10c	No. 8 size 68c
Cook Pots	2-quart 12c	Pie Plates (deep)	Drinking Cups
Medium 69c	2½-quart 14c	9-inch 10c	Large size 9c
Large 85c	3-quart 16c	10-inch 10c	
	4-quart 19c	Jelly Cake Pans	
		9-inch 10c	

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The Borrower Bit.

A theatrical manager asked an author-actor down to a watering resort as his guest from Saturday to Monday. The actor accepted with alacrity and went down with the full intention of borrowing \$500 from the manager before he returned to London. The time passed very quickly, however, and the would-be borrower kept putting off the evil moment, hoping for a more favorable opportunity to prefer his request. When Sunday night came he decided to leave it till they were returning to town together. They seemed to be getting on so nicely that he did not wish to spoil it.

What was his horror and consternation when next morning, in answer to his inquiry for his host, the waiter said:

"He left, sir, by the early train for town and said I was to give you this note."

The letter ran as follows:

"Dear Old Chap—Had to leave early. Kindly pay the bill and let me know what I owe you when we meet in town.—Yours, L.—London Mail.

Couldn't Face Failure.

In 1782 James Price, a distinguished amateur chemist and fellow of the British Royal society, announced that he had succeeded in inventing a method of converting mercury and other inferior metals into gold and silver. He conducted a series of experiments in the presence of a number of men of rank and science which were apparently successful. Some of the gold thus produced was presented to the king, and the University of Oxford, hearing of this, immediately conferred on Price the honorary degree of M. D. But a fierce controversy arose, and he was requested to prove the truth of his discovery before the Royal society. He assented, and on the appointed day the critics assembled at his house. He received them cordially, and then, stepping to one side, he swallowed a flask of laurel water and died in a few moments. He had, it is thought, made a mistake in his experiments and had not the moral courage to own it.—London Standard.

Genuine Wit.

Benjamin Moore, the second bishop of New York, was a man noted in his day for his ready wit—a quality that his wife apparently shared with him.

A dinner was given by some one of Gouverneur Morris' friends when he was about to depart for Europe. Bishop Moore and his wife were of the party. In the course of the conversation Mr. Morris observed that since he was going abroad he had made his will and, turning to Bishop Moore, said to him:

"My reverend friend, I have bequeathed to you my complete stock of impudence."

Bishop Moore replied: "Sir, you are not only very kind, but you are very generous. You have left me by far the largest portion of your estate."

Mrs. Moore immediately added: "My dear, you have come into possession of your inheritance remarkably soon."—Youth's Companion.

Fascinated by His Model.

The weekly meeting of the Married Ladies' Society for the Better Control and Guidance of Husbands had just been called to order by the president. "Members will now tell their troubles, one at a time," said the chair.

A meek looking little woman stood up in a far corner of the room.

"My husband," she quavered, "is in love with his model."

The buzz of gossip suddenly ceased, and all eyes were turned upon the speaker.

"But your husband is not an artist," argued the president. "He runs an iron foundry, doesn't he?"

"Yes," said the meek lady, "but all the same he loves his model. You see, he's a self made man."—London Standard.

An Ancient Phrase.

The frequently quoted "I do not pin my faith upon your sleeve" is traced in sentiment to feudal times, when the partisans of a leader used to wear his badge pinned upon their sleeves. Sometimes these badges were changed for specific purposes, and persons learned to doubt; hence the phrase, "You wear the badge, but I do not intend to pin my faith on your sleeve."—New York American.

A Blowing Up.

"Now, Willie," said the teacher to a small pupil, "can you tell me what dynamite is used for?"

"Yes, ma'am," answered Willie. "It's used to blaspheme things with."—Chicago News.

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LOCAL NOTICES.

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The W. C. T. U. Officers.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union held its annual meeting Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. C. W. Bennett on Park street. These officers were re-elected: President, Mrs. S. C. Hunt; first vice president, Mrs. C. A. Lanphear; second vice president, Mrs. W. H. Laird; third vice president, Mrs. A. L. Roper; recording secretary, Mrs. Hattie J. Dalrymple; corresponding secretary, Mrs. L. A. Hitchcock; treasurer, Miss Carrie E. Roper; superintendent flower mission, Mrs. S. J. Ramsden; superintendent lumbermen and sailors, Mrs. C. A. Bennett; superintendent of mothers' meetings and purity, Mrs. D. L. Bodfish; press correspondent, Mrs. L. A. Hitchcock. The organization supports the public drinking fountain on Main street, and the past year sent a barrel of literature to a sailor's home, also flowers to Boston, and the sick and shut-ins in this village during the summer months. The union has 22 members, only 10 of which are active, and would be glad to have any join who are interested in the work.

Wing Hospital Report for January.

The following is the report of cases at the Wing Memorial Hospital for the month of January: Number of cases in hospital January 1, 9; admitted during the month, 24; total for the month, 33; daily average, 108-31.

Donations for the month: Potatoes and apples, a friend; apples, C. Moulton; marmalade, Mrs. Gardner; old linen, Mrs. Barron; preserves, pickles, catsup, magazines, a friend; pickles, preserves, Mrs. Carpenter of Monson; jelly, pickles, C. Moulton; flowers, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Johnson, Woman's Club, a friend.

United Cigar Stores Agency Here.

The Bay State Drug Company has recently completed arrangements whereby it has secured the agency for Palmer of the United Cigar Stores Company, with the same profit-sharing advantages offered by the company's stores in the large places. An immense stock has been provided, and the opening is announced for next Saturday. In preparation for this event, material changes have been made this week in the interior arrangement of the company's store on Main street.

C. L. Jones of Park street has taken the local representation of the Leland Farm Agency of Boston.

Miss Annie Bemis of New Britain, Ct., spent Sunday with Miss Linda Holbrook on North Main street.

George French of Meriden, Ct., was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Lee of Central street.

The Woman's Tuesday club will omit its regular meeting next week, and the members will visit Gill's art exhibition in Springfield instead.

The District Sewing Circle met at the home of the Misses Anna and Laura Christiansen last Thursday evening. Ten members were present and a pleasant evening was spent.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy Scouts met Tuesday evening in the Congregational church with their leader, Mr. Patey, who showed the boys a play which will be rendered by the Scouts some time in the future.

Rev. C. Julian Tuthill, pastor of the Congregational church in Mattapoisett, has just been re-elected to the school board of that town for a term of three years, with no one running against him. Mr. Tuthill is also president of the New Bedford Ministerial Union, and scribe and treasurer of his conference of churches. Mr. Tuthill will be remembered as a Palmer boy, a son of Mrs. Delight Tuthill of Pleasant street.

News of the death of Levy McMaster, of Fitchburg has been received in town. Mr. McMaster was a native of Palmer, the son of Clark and Lena (Smith) McMaster, but had been living in Fitchburg for a great many years. He is survived by a widow and three daughters; also one brother, Henry of Springfield. The funeral was held yesterday, and burial was in Fitchburg.

Town Officers Organize.

The selectmen have organized with H. W. Brainerd chairman and W. E. McDonald clerk. These appointments were made last night: Town counsel, E. E. Hobson; sealer of weights and measures, J. A. Hawkes; burial agent, L. E. Chandler; superintendent of graves, D. L. Bodfish.

The school committee met Tuesday night and organized with Dr. G. A. Moore chairman and C. H. Hobson secretary. The following appointments were made: Truant officers, George A. Bilis, T. J. Crimmins, Palmer; Edward McKelligott, Thorndike; James Manning, William Smith, Three Rivers; John Mansfield, Bonds-ville; Arthur Bennett, Forest Lake. Janitors, Charles Johnson, high school; Charles Johnson, Palmer; P. J. Sullivan, Thorndike; C. E. Fuller, Bonds-ville; William Smith, Three Rivers.

The board of health has organized with Dr. J. P. Schneider chairman and W. C. Hitchcock clerk. Mr. Hitchcock has also been appointed clerk of the board of overseers of the poor.

The overseers of poor have organized with F. J. Hamilton as chairman.

Sudden Death.

Patrick F. Hurley, 51 years old, died suddenly in the Nassawanno House Tuesday afternoon at 12.45 o'clock. He was employed there and had apparently been in his usual health. Men were playing pool in the poolroom and Hurley was attending them. He placed a rack of balls upon the table after a game, went to a chair at the side of room, sat down and immediately fell over, dead. Medical Examiner J. P. Schneider viewed the body and found the cause of death was heart disease. The body was taken to Loftus' undertaking rooms. Hurley was not married. He leaves two brothers, John E., principal of the Palmer high school, and Michael of West Warren. The body was taken to the home of John E. Hurley yesterday morning, and the funeral was in St. Thomas' church this morning.

Harold K. Taylor of Boston was a guest over Sunday of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Taylor of Thorndike street.

The Rev. George E. Leighton, Supr. of the Universalist churches of Massachusetts, will speak in St. Paul's church Sunday morning.

There will be a meeting of the directors of the Eastern Hampden Agricultural Society at the Converse House Saturday afternoon at 2.30.

The Palmer Woman's Club will hold a regular meeting on Friday afternoon of next week. The subject will be "Current Events," and the speaker will be Miss Avery.

H. A. Kohler, the "Flying Dutchman," has been booked for a wrestling match to a finish by Jack Magrath of Worcester, in that city on the night of February 19.

There will be a food sale from 3 to 5 to-morrow afternoon in the store of Whitcomb & Faulkner on Main street for the benefit of the District Nursing Association. All interested in the work are invited to send contributions.

There was a civil service examination in the high school building yesterday of applicants for the position of census enumerators for the state census, to be taken this year. Eighteen took the examination.

The Mission Circle of St. Paul's church will meet with Mrs. E. C. Gould of Holbrook street to-morrow evening at 7.30. Important business will be taken up and the watchword is "Loyalty."

The next entertainment in the Lyceum course will be next Tuesday evening. The speaker will be Dr. Gabriel Maguire, and his subject will be, "With an Irishman through the Jungles of Africa." This is the last of the course.

The exchange of tickets for reserved seats for the high school play, "The Private Secretary," this evening, took place yesterday morning. A large number were taken then and more since; still, there are good seats left. The indications are for a full house.

A change will be made in the program at the opera house next week, when the "Million Dollar Mystery" will be shown Monday night instead of Wednesday. "Zudora" will be postponed from Tuesday until Friday night, when there will be shown a special program, including a Paramount feature, "The Little Gray Lady," in four reels, with Jane Grey in the leading part.

The mercury took an upward turn Saturday, and a thaw which took off much of the snow was the result. Superintendent of Streets Brainerd had a gang of men at work clearing the gutters and sewer openings, using the road scraper for the former operation. The temperature dropped at night however, and the mercury has been close to zero the last three mornings.

The Heweha Campfire Girls held their monthly business meeting Monday evening at the home of Mildred Bradley. They decided to go camping this summer at least a week, and will begin to raise money for that purpose shortly. They voted to take their monthly hike from Palmer to Thorndike to the next high school basketball game. Next Monday evening at Mollie Barton's the girls will meet to receive their second lesson in "First Aid," when they will try experimental work.

AN ODD GROUP

By GRANT WHEELER

Alan Chandler just before the breaking out of the revolution in Russia some years ago went to St. Petersburg—now Petrograd—on business. He had studied before going the Russian language under a Russian instructor and could converse fairly well in that tongue. On the train between the border and St. Petersburg he fell in with a young Russian who on hearing that he was an American chatted with him agreeably, expressing much interest in the great American republic.

"Where are you going to stop in St. Petersburg?" asked the young Russian, who gave his name as Peter Alexandrovich.

"I suppose I shall go to a hotel until I can find apartments," Alan replied.

"I have rooms in the house of an old lady who is very motherly and is always attentive to her lodgers' wants. I dare she say she may have some vacant rooms."

Alan jumped at this chance of getting settled, for he disliked hotels and was glad to avoid them even temporarily. He went to the lodging house and waited in a reception room while Alexandrovich interviewed the landlady. Then he and the landlady rejoined him, and the latter said that there were no rooms vacant at the time, but an occupant was soon to go away. If meanwhile the American would accept a couple of rooms of Alexandrovich's suit that he did not need he would be welcome to them.

The landlady, Mme. Groutsky, was indeed a motherly woman. Her face was especially benevolent; her hair was white; her features bore the stamp of suffering. It seemed to Chandler when he looked at her that he was gazing upon one of the Christian martyrs who had lived nineteen centuries before. He had only a few hours' acquaintance with Alexandrovich, too short to warrant his trusting the man, but was so drawn to Mme. Groutsky that he resolved to accept the offer for the sake of effecting an entrance to the old lady's house.

There was but one other roomer in the house besides the American and Alexandrovich—Stanislaus, a Pole. He was seldom there, but when he was there he and Alexandrovich were several times observed by Alan to have their heads together. Stanislaus was the person who was expected to vacate his rooms. But day after day passed and he showed no sign of doing so.

Meanwhile Alan was taken ill. He was so carefully nursed by Mme. Groutsky that when he recovered he would not leave her on any account, although there was something mysterious about Alexandrovich that excited his distrust. Alan could not discover that he had any occupation. He would be absent sometimes for days, and when he returned instead of mentioning his absence or any incident connected with it he never referred to it.

One day when Alan returned from the transaction of certain business he had on hand he found Mme. Groutsky talking with a handsomely dressed young lady. The girl looked up at Alan with a pair of eyes which, so long as they were fixed upon him, held him spellbound. What it was in their dark depths to make him feel that for their possessor he would jump off the brink of a cliff he did not know, and yet he saw her only a few moments while passing through a room to the staircase leading to the second floor.

Not a person Chandler met under this roof but impressed him. They were all different, but were all linked together by some mystery. The landlady seemed to be the guiding spirit. At least, Alan could not but notice that they all seemed to look up to her with reverence. Though the gentlest among them, she appeared to be the strongest.

The girl who had fixed those wondrous eyes on Chandler never came to the house again. He was minded to ask the landlady who she was, but somehow he felt that there was a barrier between him and the others in the house that he was forbidden to pass.

One day when he was walking on the street a police officer tapped him on the shoulder and directed him to go with him. The policeman took him to a police station, where sat an officer at a desk. Pulling out a drawer, he took therefrom a little leather case and, opening it, began to look from it to Chandler and vice versa. Presently he handed the article to Chandler, asking:

"Is that your passport?"

Chandler, thunderstruck, said he believed that it was.

"You Americans are very incautious," said the officer.

"What do you mean?"

"I will show you if you will come with me."

He led the way to a sleigh standing at the door and motioned Chandler to enter it. Then they were driven out of the city to a road along which in the distance a crowd were seen slowly approaching. When they reached the sleigh Chandler saw that they were prisoners marching to Siberia.

His eyes rested on Stanislaus, then on Alexandrovich, then on Mme. Groutsky. Lastly his gaze met that of the girl with the wondrous eyes.

"They have been plotting to assassinate the czar," said Alan's guide. "Luckily we had evidence that you were not one of them or you would now be with them. What they wanted of you was your passport."

The mouse that hath but one hole is quickly taken.

Tenniel's Mustache.

The later portraits of Sir John Tenniel, the famous cartoonist of London Punch, show him wearing a full beard and mustache, but his most familiar appearance was with a mustache only, a long and curly specimen, worthy of one of Ouida's guardsmen. The story of how he came to grow it is interesting.

After the Crimean war the return of the soldiers with full beards started a fashion against which three Punch artists protested. One day, being out on horseback together, they solemnly halted at crossroads and swore on their uplifted hunting crops never to wear hair on lip or chin. Tenniel was one of the party. Leech another and R. T. Pritchett the third.

Leech alone remained true to the vow. Pritchett went to Skye, and on his return with a mustache called on Tenniel. He thrust his head in at the cartoonist's door and dumbly waited. "You scoundrel!" was Tenniel's exclamation. "Then I, too, must!" And he did.

He Ought to Know.

Lady—I should like to look at a flat which I see is for rent in this building, but no one has answered my bell.

Man—I'll show it to you. Right this way, mum.

"Well, this is something like it. The rooms will suit, I'm sure. What sort of a janitor have they here?"

"The very best in the city, mum."

"Obliging?"

"The kindest hearted gentleman to be found anywhere, mum."

"Honest?"

"As the day is long, mum."

"Is he attentive to his duties?"

"He's just workin' himself to death, mum. Always thinkin' up some new thing to make folks comfortable."

"Well, I declare! I wouldn't lose this flat for the world. Where is the janitor now?"

"I'm him, mum."—Kansas City Star.

The Green Flames.

The greatest discovery of borax ever made was the result of the purest chance. A number of years ago a man named Aaron Winters was prospecting for gold or other precious metals in that American inferno known as Death valley. He had his wife with him, and they two worked together until their provisions were at an end; then, bitterly disappointed at their ill success, they started back toward civilization. The first night they camped in Ash valley. Here they lit a fire and prepared to cook their supper. Mrs. Winters called her husband's attention to the peculiar green tinge of the flames. He did not speak, but with shaking hands scratched away the earth and suddenly shouted: "We're rich. Rose, we're rich! It's borax!" He was right. They subsequently sold their claim for a very large sum.

British Field Marshals.

A British field marshal never retires from the army. He may be placed on half pay, but is still borne on the active list. By the regulations there must not be more than eight field marshals receiving pay as such—that is, exclusive of honorary field marshals, such as foreign kings, emperors and princes. Of the eight regular field marshals two must be selected from the Indian army. The position of field marshal is a great one. The field marshal commanding in chief in the Mediterranean gets £5,000 a year. Probably a field marshal actively employed will get at least £3,000 a year. This is better than the pay of an admiral of the fleet, who may be said to be a naval field marshal, and gets only a little over £2,000 a year, exclusive of allowances.—Ireland's Own.

Napoleon's Name.

A Greek scholar called attention to a very curious coincidence about the name of Napoleon. If you take away the first letter of his name you have "apoleon;" take away the first letter of that word, and you have "poleon;" do this successively down to the last syllable, and you have "leon," "eon" and "on." Put these several words together in this order, Napoleon on leon leon eon apoleon poleon, and you have a Greek phrase the literal translation of which is "Napoleon, being the lion of peoples, went about destroying cities."—Exchange.

The Dear Girls.

"I don't like my new gown very well," said the young lady recently. "The material is awfully pretty and the style is all right, but it needs something to improve the shape of it."

"Why," suggested her dearest friend, "don't you let some other girl wear it?"—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Not an Admirer.

"Your husband loves horses, doesn't he?"

"No," replied young Mrs. Torkins.

"But he is always going to the races."

"Yes. But the way he talks about the horses after he gets home is something dreadful."—Washington Star.

Fops' Alley.

Fops' alley was in Her Majesty's theater, London. It was a promenade down the center of the pit and between the latter and the boxes. There the beaux of the day were wont to stroll between the acts, exchanging criticisms on the music and the singers and ogling the belles in the boxes.—London Mail.

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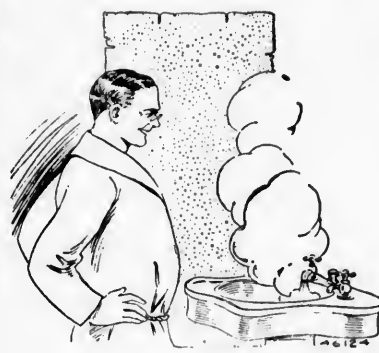
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Placing the Howl.

A lady selecting a hat at a milliner's asked cautiously:

"Is there anything about these feathers that might bring me into trouble with the Bird Protection society?"

"Oh, no, madam!" said the milliner.

"But did they not belong to some bird?" persisted the lady.

"Well, madam," returned the milliner pleasantly, "these feathers are the feathers of a howl, and the howl, you know, madam, seel'n' 'ow fond 'e 'is of mice, is more of a cat than a bird."—London Globe.

Our Mineral Wealth.

The United States is not only the world's greatest producer of mineral wealth, but it possesses by far the greatest known reserve of any nation in most of the important minerals.

This is one of the things that has made us great and which is destined to make us far greater as measured by world standards. In some instances, such as coal and oil and phosphate rock and radium ore, the United States possesses more than all the other known deposits of the world, and the only essential minerals of the first rank of which the United States has no known supply at all commensurate with its needs are nitrates, potash salts, tin, nickel and platinum. But as it stands today no other nation in the world so nearly approaches absolute independence in respect to mineral resources, notwithstanding the vast magnitude of our home consumption.—Review of Reviews.

The Professions.

The census has provided us with a definition of "the professions." A good many folk have wondered a good many times what the "professional classes" were. The census has decided. They constitute—

Actors.

Architects, designers, draftsmen, etc.

Artists and teachers of art.

Clergymen (including religious and charity workers).

Dentists.

Journalists.

Lawyers (including abstractors, notaries and justices of peace).

Literary and scientific persons.

Musicians and teachers of music.

Physicians and surgeons (including nonmedical healers).

Schoolteachers, professors in colleges, etc.—New York Press.

The Earth's Shadow.

The earth has a shadow, but few ever see it except in eclipses of the moon. Nevertheless, many of us have noticed on fine, cloudless evenings in summer, shortly before sunset, a rosy or pink arc on the horizon opposite the sun, with a bluish gray segment under it. As the sun sinks the arc rises until it attains the zenith and even passes it. This is the shadow of the earth.

Language Mixed.

"That," said the physician, as he examined the lump on the man's neck, "is the remains of an old boil that started to come and then became encysted there."

"Well," said the unlettered patient, "it sure has encysted on stayin' there."—Chicago Post.

Early Writing Implements.

When writing Confucius used a small brush, like a camel's hair brush, for a pen, and so did his ancestors for centuries before his time. The reed came into use for writing in the marshy countries of the orient. It was hollow and cut in short lengths.

Lucky Dog.

"She calls her dog and her husband by the same pet name. It must cause frequent confusion."

"Not at all. She always speaks gently to the dog."—Jugend.

Incongruous.

Mamie—That Mrs. Flipp is a great matchmaker, isn't she? Tessie—I used to think so until she bought her red haired husband a purple necktie.—Judge.

Airy About It.

Jack—It's a fine air castle you've built. How do you propose to get into it—by airship? Tom—No; by helress.—Boston Transcript.

Month's School Attendance.

Thorndike School Leads, Three Rivers Next; Bondsville Has Best Room.

The attendance for the public schools of Palmer for January, 1915, was better than the record of January, 1914. The per cent of attendance of this month this year was 96.28, against 95 for January, 1914.

There is a slight increase of two in the number of tardy cases. Twenty-three cases were recorded during January, 1915, while during the same month a year ago the total number was twenty-one. The two worst offenders in the tardiness line during the last month were the Palmer grammar school and the Palmer high school.

Room of grades 6 and 7, Bondsville, has the honor of having the best attendance for the last month; the per cent was 99.1. Grade 7, Palmer, had next best with 99.07 per cent. Neither of these rooms had a case of tardiness. The record in detail follows:

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The Thorndike grammar school had the best attendance by school, having attained a per cent of 97.68. In this respect Three Rivers was second with 96.54 per cent. The enrollment of the Thorndike grammar school was 254; of this number 206 were perfect in attendance, which certainly is a very fine record.

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I saw no impropriety in her coming, but I nevertheless wondered at it. Not being able to communicate with her more than to say good morning, I asked the housekeeper to inquire if there was anything I could do for my cousin. A few words passed between the two, and the housekeeper, with some embarrassment I thought, said that there was only one thing I could do for my cousin, but I had better find it out for myself.

I concluded that I had struck another of the strange customs of the country and that I might as well let it work itself out. Lisa assisted the housekeeper in the work, and I went out about the business concerning which I had come to Russia. I did not return till evening, expecting surely that my cousin had gone. What was my surprise to find her still there.

"How long," I asked my housekeeper, "is Lisa going to stay here?"

"Always, unless you turn her out."

"Turn her out?"

"Yes. And you cannot do that unless you are willing to suffer the resentment of every one hereabout."

"What does all this mean?"

"It means that Lisa has offered to marry you."

I was thunder struck. Little by little I drew from my informant that in this region of Russia when a woman wished to marry a man she went to his house and remained there, awaiting his action. If he refused her it was considered a great insult to her and her family. If she had male relatives they were likely to avenge what was considered a slight to her and them.

While I had been charmed by my little cousin I had had up to this moment no thought of marrying her. Her action put the idea into my head. A marriage between us would greatly facilitate the settling of the inheritance in which we were interested. She was very lovely, very modest, and in her quaint Russian costume she looked very pretty. If dressed as an American lady I would have no reason, at home, to be ashamed of her.

I accepted Lisa's proposal and as soon as I had done so sent her home to prepare for the wedding. My aunt told me that she had seen from the first that her daughter had given me her heart, and she had encouraged her to act as she had done.

When I took home with me a bride my mother was surprised, but when I told her how the betrothal had come about she was astonished. Fortunately my wife's modest demeanor did not permit my mother to associate any boldness with her act.

We have but recently returned to America and, although Lisa is studying English with great assiduity, we are not yet able to converse with much ease.

How She Did It.

"So she refused you?"

"That's the impression I received."

"Didn't she actually say so?"

Thorndike Three Rivers Bondsville

Many items of interest from
these busy villages.

THORNDIKE.

Death of an Old Resident.

In the death of Mrs. Hannah Crimmins, 69, which occurred at her home on Main street Wednesday morning, one of the town's oldest residents has passed away. The deceased was born in Thorndike and had passed the whole of her life in town. Mrs. Crimmins was widely and favorably known, being a woman of mild and pleasing disposition, thereby making a host of friends. The deceased is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Dennis Dailey of this place, and Miss Marguerite Crimmins, with whom she lived, besides two sons, Officer Timothy J. Crimmins of Palmer and Daniel Crimmins of Springfield. The funeral will take place from St. Mary's church, of which she was a devout member, to-morrow morning, with mass of requiem; burial will be in St. Thomas' cemetery, Thorndike.

Mills on Full Time.

The mills of the Thorndike Company resumed full time on Monday, after a long period of curtailment. The news was pleasing to the help, who have borne the short time with patience, looking forward to the time when the mills would resume full time again.

Prof. Kelley of Springfield resumed his dancing class at Union Hall on Tuesday evening as usual.

A few from this place went to Monson Monday evening to attend a party at the home of Miss Grace Sullivan.

Thorndike lodge of Moose will hold a social in Union Hall to-morrow evening. A good time is assured all who attend.

Daniel Lawlor, a former resident, who has been residing in the South, is a guest of his mother, Mrs. Katherine Lawlor.

Rev. P. J. Griffin of St. Mary's church was called to Holyoke on Wednesday to attend the funeral of a relative.

Many of the members of Palmer council, K. of C., from this place attended the working of the third degree at Monson last Sunday.

The high school basket social last Thursday evening in the Thorndike grammar school hall was largely attended and was a great success in every particular.

The turkey supper given by the ladies of the Congregational church Wednesday evening was largely attended and a decided success, financially and otherwise.

Patrick Hurley, whose death occurred suddenly at Palmer on Tuesday afternoon, was well known here, where he resided with his parents some time ago. Many from Thorndike attended the funeral this morning at St. Thomas' church.

"The Achievement of Peace in All God's World," will be Rev. J. E. Enman's subject next Sunday morning, and in the evening he will speak on "John Eliot, the Friend of the Indians." Sunday school meets at noon.

THREE RIVERS.

Nathan Cramer spent the week-end with his family in Worcester.

Charles Ruggles is spending the week with his family in Quincy.

Henry B. Winn of Boston spent Sunday with his family on Main street.

Charles Freak of Main street is at the Mercy Hospital in Springfield for treatment.

Peter Manzer of Main street is spending a few days with his brother in Pembroke, N. H.

Mrs. Ruby Burlingame of Rochester, N. Y., was the recent guest of Mrs. Charles P. Haynes of Main street.

Miss Nellie Conroy of Springfield spent the week-end with her parents on the Belchertown road.

Albert Boissey of Barre has resigned his position and is at the home of his parents on Prospect street.

Miss Madeline Fuller of Palmer was the Sunday guest of Miss Alice Turkington of Anderson avenue.

Howard Rice of Windham, Ct., was the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rice of Springfield street.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Palmer road entertained their son Joseph of Montville, Ct., over the week-end.

Miss Sarah Bothwell of Westfield was the Sunday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Palmer street.

Mrs. Willard Henry of Springfield was the Sunday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henriehon on the Belchertown road.

Miss May Moynahan of the Riverside took part in the Old Folks' concert given for the benefit of the firemen in Palmer Tuesday.

The members of the Union Sunday school enjoyed a sleighride to Belchertown Wednesday evening, where they attended a church supper.

The regular business meeting of the Ladies' Aid of the Union church will be held next Wednesday afternoon at

3 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Calkins of Palmer street has recovered from diphtheria and the family has been released from quarantine.

Clifford Geer of Tufts College spent the week-end with his parents on the Belchertown road on his way to Providence, where he was to join the Tufts Glee Club, of which he is a member.

A food sale will be held to-morrow in H. A. Shaw's furniture store on Main street for the benefit of the District Nurse Association. All those interested are invited to contribute food for the sale.

Abraham Swain of School street was painfully injured Friday while at work in the weave room of the mill. His hand was caught in some way and his thumb torn, making amputation necessary. He is at the Hampden hospital in Springfield.

The night schools reorganized here at the meeting Monday evening. Those who have some knowledge of reading and writing the English language were divided into three classes, and the beginners put into one class by themselves, where they might receive instruction in the beginning of studying the English language.

Thursday at the Idle Hour theatre the "Mutual Girl" reel, which has been delayed for some time, will be shown, also the "Trey O' Hearts" and two other reels. Saturday night the fifth part of the Strand war serial will be shown and "Our Mutual Girl," February 20 they will begin the new serial, "The Exploits of Elaine," which is now being run in many of the newspapers as a serial story. It has many exciting situations and ought to prove as popular as the "Perils of Pauline."

BONDSDVILLE.

Fourth Quarterly Conference.

The fourth quarterly conference of the M. E. church was held Monday in the parsonage, District Superintendent Dr. J. P. Kennedy presiding, there being 13 present. E. J. Loy was chosen recording steward. In addition his own report the pastor read a report of the Home department, which has 50 members. The report of the Sunday school showed that organization to be in good working order, with a cash balance on hand. For the Ladies' Society the president, Mrs. T. C. Martin, reported a prosperous year. Charles Sharratt gave the report for the trustees and for the treasurer. The election of officers resulted as follows: Recording steward, Charles Sharratt; district steward, Charles D. Holden; stewards, C. H. Collis, W. H. Morse, Edward Sharratt, Newton Sedgwick, W. H. McVickar, W. D. Spears, G. A. Canterbury, Henry Morgan, Mrs. Anna E. Parent, Mrs. Winnifred M. Morse, Mrs. Lottie L. Holden, Mrs. Bertha McVickar; trustees, E. G. Childs, president, Charles Sharratt, treasurer, Rufus L. Bond, F. E. Albrow, V. C. Faunce, E. J. Loy, C. D. Holden, E. H. Collis, Edwin Sharratt; Sunday school, Charles Sharratt, Fred Collis Jr., Mrs. Winnifred Morse; parsonage, Mrs. Anna E. Parent, Mrs. C. H. Collis, E. G. Childs, V. C. Faunce, Mrs. E. G. Childs; auditor, F. E. Albrow; church records, Frank S. Gordon; music, Rev. T. C. Martin, Miss Mildred Hartwell, Miss Abbie Pember, Mrs. F. E. Albrow, Fred Collis Jr., Mrs. Fred Collis Jr., Thomas Chapman, Burton Rose, Mrs. V. C. Faunce; estimating, E. J. Loy, C. D. Holden, Charles Collis; finance, V. C. Faunce, F. E. Albrow, Charles Sharratt; home missions, Mrs. Julia McKendrick, Mrs. Sarah A. Sharratt, Mrs. Olive S. Marsan; freedman's aid, Mrs. Ida L. Taylor, Mrs. Ora A. Mason, Mrs. Olive F. Marsan; foreign missions, E. T. Taylor, Mrs. Alice Sedgwick, Mrs. Mary Canterbury; temperance, Mrs. Ethel V. Sharratt, Andrew C. Parker, Henry Morgan; education, Miss Alice Banister, Frank Alden, Mrs. Sarah Green. Rev. T. C. Martin brought to the notice of those present the nearness of the 40th anniversary of the church, and a committee consisting of V. C. Faunce, F. E. Albrow and C. D. Holden were chosen to make plans for this event. E. J. Loy expressed to Rev. J. P. Kennedy the appreciation of the church for the kindly interest taken in it during his service as district superintendent, and noted with regret that this was his last visit in that capacity. By a unanimous vote Rev. T. C. Martin was asked to return another year as pastor of the church.

Alex Gowen spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Boston. Mrs. Arthur Smith and daughters of Ware visited Sunday with Mrs. Anna Parent. The B. B. B. Club held a very enjoyable meeting Wednesday evening with Miss Edna Roberts.

Miss Lydia Marsan of Springfield was a guest Sunday of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adelaar Marsan.

The meeting of the Sunday school board of the M. E. church has been postponed until next Tuesday evening with Miss Alice Banister.

The water cure is very ancient. In an old prescription book of a famous physician of more than a hundred years ago this curious remedy for a cold is found: "Let ye patient who feels a cold coming on eat of a fine, big salt herring just before going to bed. This will make ye patient drink plenty of water." If you have not strength of purpose to drink freely of water for the cold's sake make yourself thirsty as best you can—only take all the water possible.

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Mrs. Henry Hobson of Palmer was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Anna Parent. Miss Margaret Ferris of Springfield visited at her home on Pine street over Sunday.

Miss Gladys Morse was a guest of Miss Marion Davis in Thorndike on Wednesday.

Miss Violet Canterbury has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Raymond Barnes.

Paul Martin went Wednesday to Norfolk, Virginia, where he has accepted a position.

Roy Gage and Elliott Harwood of Enfield were guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Davis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Randall were guests Sunday of her sister, Mrs. George Lannon, in Enfield.

Miss Emily Fauteux has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. William Houle in Springfield.

Miss Marion Sullivan and Miss Emily Fauteux were recent guests of Miss Mary Castledine in Ware.

Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Abare spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Geer, in Three Rivers.

Mrs. A. Randall and Mrs. William Hirst of Monson were guests Wednesday of their mother, Mrs. Emma Canterbury.

Misses Elizabeth, Loretta and Agnes Kennedy of Springfield were guests Tuesday of their brother, Rev. Fr. Thomas A. Kennedy.

Mrs. John Mansfield has returned from a visit with her daughter, Miss Annie Mansfield, who is a student in Fitchburg Normal School.

William Brown, who has been spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Brown, returned Monday to his work at Tufts College.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry St. Peters moved their family last Friday to Easthampton, where Mr. St. Peters recently took a position as carpenter.

William Collins returned Tuesday to his studies at Brown University after spending his mid-year vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Collins.

Mrs. George Moulton Sr. will go Saturday to Nashua, N. H., where she will visit for a time with her son, George Moulton Jr. Mr. Moulton will accompany her for a few days' visit.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Charles Collis. To serve: Mrs. Fred Collis Jr., Mrs. V. C. Faunce, Mrs. C. D. Holden, Mrs. Frank Lamb, Mrs. E. J. Loy.

A meeting of the society of the Western Star was held Tuesday afternoon with Miss Ada Pember at the home of her sister, Mrs. Thomas Chapman. A very enjoyable afternoon was passed, and delicious refreshments were served. The next meeting will be with Miss Dorothea McVickar.

The entertainment committee for Ye Old Boys' supper are busily engaged planning their part of the affair. The solicitors are also on their job, and the supper bids fair to be as successful as in former years. The supper is to be held February 19.

The Epworth League held a business meeting and social at the parsonage Thursday evening, with Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin. Three new members were admitted, and other important business was discussed. For the social part of the evening a series of progressive games was provided. One person played each game but once, and in the end the one winning the greatest number of points was awarded a prize. Light refreshments were served in the meantime.

A most successful whist party was held Tuesday evening in the basement of St. Bartholomew's church under the auspices of the Sunday school teachers. The attendance was large, including a number of people from out of town. There was a concert by the Sunday school children, entitled, "Sally Ann;" a duet, "In Autumn Time," was sung by Anna Sullivan and Mary C. Sullivan; Master Joseph Austin rendered two pleasing selections, "Take Me Home," and "In the Land of My Best Girl;" a special chorus sang "The Gleaners," and a recitation, "Wink and Blink," was given by Irene Sullivan. Whist started immediately after the entertainment. The prizes were awarded to the following: Mrs. William Donovan, first; Mrs. Frank Langelier, second; Miss Laura Fontaine of Ware, consolation; for the gentlemen John Griffin secured first prize, Charles Langelier second and Leon Fauteux the consolation. A grafonola afforded amusement for the children while the older people played whist. Refreshments were served by Daniel Quirk, Miss Nellie G. Shea, Miss Nellie Keyes, Miss Ella Hanifin, Miss Nellie Connor, Miss Lucy Austin.

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... A ... Philanthropist

How Joe Carpenter Secured a Good Salary.

By F. A. MITCHEL

Joe Carpenter was a clerk in the office of the third vice president of the railroad system. Joe was at his desk one morning sorting papers when he received a call to his chief's private room. When he appeared the vice president said to him:

"I wish you to take this package to Miss Dorothea Penfield, as addressed. Here are twenty \$1,000 bonds, the last of the lot we agreed to send her. Be very careful with them, and deliver them to no one except Miss Penfield herself, taking her receipt."

Joe took the package and left the room. He had heard that Miss Penfield was the only daughter of the man who had organized the railroad system in which he was employed and that she had inherited his vast interest in it, making her one of the richest women in America. Joe had also heard that the lady was a philanthropist. Philanthropist is a very big word, and he associated with it a very important woman. His mental picture of her was a middle aged person, partly gray and with a very benevolent face. But, handling so large a fortune as she possessed, she must have an air of business about her.

He placed the package in his inside coat pocket, put a safety pin over it, buttoned the coat over his breast and sallied forth on his errand. He expected to find Miss Penfield's residence a palace, but it was an ordinary stone front city residence. He was admitted by a maid (not in the black and white uniform of a servant girl) and ushered into a room from which he could look into another room in the rear, where sat a young girl hammering on a typewriter.

A lady answering Joe's imaginary description of Miss Penfield came into the room where he was and looked at him inquiringly, as much as to ask "What can I do for you?" "Are you Miss Penfield?" asked Joe. "I am."

"Here are some bonds that I have been instructed to deliver to you." He produced the package. She took it into the back room, where she opened it and after a few words with the typist dictated a receipt. This done, both women left the room. A few minutes later Miss Penfield came into the room where Joe was waiting, handed him the receipt, and he returned with it to the railroad office.

All this is an apparently unimportant part of this story. You must know that Joe Carpenter was very attractive in his appearance, and the typewriter in the back room was a very pretty girl.

While Joseph was sitting in the next room to her she looked up from her work and caught him looking at her admiringly. On several other occasions during his stay at the house she looked up and every time saw that same admiring glance. Indeed, what Joe was thinking was expressed through his eyes, and what he was thinking was this: "You're pretty enough to kiss."

Joe went away thinking of that fair skin, those coral lips, those gazelle eyes (these were his own designations of them), and he kept on thinking of them all that day and the next and the next, till one morning the third vice president sent for him again and said to him:

"Carpenter, I have a telephone message from Miss Penfield asking me to send her the numbers of the bonds you delivered to her the other day, and she would like them sent by you. You are sure the delivery was all right, aren't you?"

"I delivered the package as you gave it to me. The receipt tallied with your record, didn't it?" "Oh, yes. The receipt was all right. You'd better take the numbers to her"—he handed Joe a bit of paper with the numbers on it—"and hear what she has to say."

Joe put the paper in his pocket and repaired to the Penfield residence. This time he was received by the pretty typewriter. She came into the room where he was, with a slightly brightened color.

"Miss Penfield is indisposed this morning. She has asked me to say that in making a list of the bonds you brought her the other day before putting them in the safety deposit vaults a mistake was made, and she thought that one of the bonds was missing. But it's all right. The error has been discovered. She desires me to apologize to you for putting you to the trouble of coming."

"I'm glad you've found it," said Joe, much relieved. "If you hadn't it would have laid me liable to the charge of having extracted it from the package and appropriating it."

"I didn't think of that," said the girl, evidently somewhat disturbed.

Joe had risen at her entrance and was moving toward the door.

"I hope," continued the typist, "that you haven't suffered from suspicion, even temporarily."

"Oh, that doesn't matter so long as I'm exonerated."

"I wish you would sit down a few minutes. I would like to talk with you about it."

She motioned Joe to an easy chair and took another herself. Despite all Joe could say to relieve her mind she persisted in saying that the note to the vice president should not have been sent. But in time she changed the subject, and the two chatted glibly on other subjects. Presently Joe looked at his watch and started.

"Great heavens!" he exclaimed. "It's two hours since I left the office. I must find some excuse for staying so long away from my work or I'll get fired."

"If you do I think I know another place you can get. When you left the other day Miss Penfield said: 'I wish I could get some young man like that to take these details off my hands. I am nearly swamped with them.' How would you like such a position?" "I wouldn't like it at all at the same salary. I have a better chance for promotion with the railroad company."

When Joe departed the typewriter asked for his address, and a few days later he received a note from Miss Penfield stating that she was intending to open an office for the transaction of the business of her estate and was looking for a manager. Would he accept the position and if so at what salary? Joe after thinking the matter over declined to accept the position, being influenced solely by the fact that he hoped to see the pretty typewriter occasionally. Indeed, a love affair had been started between him and her which bade fair to be of the galloping kind. So he wrote that he was at Miss Penfield's service and would leave the salary to her.

A reply came asking if \$2,500 a year would be sufficient to begin on. Since Joe was receiving but \$100 a month, he replied that the amount named would be satisfactory, and he received an order to find a suitable office and procure the necessary furniture.

Joe at once resigned his position in the railroad office, hunted up an office, furnished it, then went to Miss Penfield's house and transferred the books and papers pertaining to the estate. Miss Penfield spent several days with him in the office initiating him, or, rather, trying to initiate him into the business at hand. But it was in such a state of confusion that it soon became evident to Joe that he must straighten them out by his own efforts. Indeed, he found the lady more of a detriment than a help. However, at the end of a couple of weeks he had everything in order.

The manager of the Penfield estate received occasional invitations to dine at the house. Sometimes Miss Penfield was at the table; sometimes he was entertained by the typewriter. He learned from her that she was a connection of Miss Penfield, her name being also Penfield. Joe asked her if she would be likely to lose her position since an office had been opened for the transaction of the business of the estate, and she told him that the private correspondence could not be relegated to the office and it required so much of her time that she was thinking of getting an assistant.

Even if Miss Penfield appeared at the dinner table when Joe dined at the house she disappeared as soon as the meal was over, leaving Joe and the typewriter together. The affair turned out to be a quick and desperate case of love. Joe proposed to the typewriter, was accepted, and they began to plan for their marriage.

"I hope," said the young lady, "that you are not counting upon my getting any help from Miss Penfield. She will not give me a cent."

"We don't need her assistance," replied Joe. "On my salary we can get on very well."

His fiancée threw her arms around his neck and said that with such a manly husband she had no fear of poverty whatever.

Joe suggested that they be married at once and take a little house. Eighteen hundred a year would be plenty for them to live on and they could put away seven hundred for a nest egg. His fiancée offered to look for the house, to which Joe consented since he was very busy at his office. One day she told him that she had found a cozy little nook, just the home for a young couple starting in life. Joe proposed that they go together to look at it, but being occupied with preparations for the wedding the bride to be put the visit off from day to day. What surprised Joe was that she insisted on a church wedding and the sending out of innumerable cards. To this he protested on the ground that they could not afford the expenditure. They were in Miss Penfield's house at the time.

"Joe," said his fiancée, "there's a secret between us that I can't keep any longer. She whom you have known as Dorothea Penfield is my Aunt Susan Penfield. I am Dorothea Penfield. The first time you called here I was amusing myself with a new typewriter on which I was learning to write. I saw that there was a case of love between us and that you supposed my aunt was the heiress. I have always expected to be married for my money, and here was a chance to be courted for myself. I availed myself of it and have permitted you to continue to be deceived."

"And you are Dorothea Penfield, the philanthropist worth millions?" exclaimed Joe with eyes as big as saucers.

"I am."

A look of disappointment crossed Joe's face.

"What is it?" asked Dorothy anxiously.

"There's nothing to be done; life will have no struggles, no contrasts between work and play."

"Joe," she said, embracing him, "if we can't work for ourselves we can work for others. To give intelligently involves much care and plenty of effort."

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Monson News.

Annual Appropriation Meeting.

Very Harmonious Affair, Quickly Over;
No Money Wasted.

The annual appropriation meeting, held in Memorial Hall Monday afternoon, broke the record for brevity and harmony, the 23 articles being disposed of in less than two hours.

The officers chosen were as follows: Tree warden, Homer Squier; field driver, Charles A. Stacy; Measurers of wood and bark, O. C. McCray, Merrill Carew; surveyors of lumber, J. S. Stewart, R. K. Squier.

Items of particular interest were the appropriation of \$2197.08 for street lights, which calls for an every night schedule and not a moonlight exception, and the voting of \$1000 to re-decorate the interior of the town hall; a committee of three appointed by the moderator to attend to the work is A. D. Ellis, C. M. Gage and R. P. Cushman. The sum of \$800 was voted for the suppression of the illegal sale of liquor, the dog money was voted towards the school teachers' salaries. The tax collector's salary will be the same as last year and the method will be the same, except that no discount will be allowed, due to new state laws, and taxes will be due October 1st.

There was some discussion over appropriations for highways and bridges. Selectman Herlihy moved for \$7000 in all, \$3000 to be raised and appropriated and \$4000 to be taken from the treasury; the motion finally went through as it was last year, \$1000 being raised and appropriated and the street railway and excise taxes appropriated; last year these two taxes amounted to about \$4800.

There was much haggling over the article regarding the discontinuance of insurance on rural school buildings, and the motion was finally withdrawn. Additional street lights on the Palmer road were refused, and the article regarding payment to Katherine Hodge for the death of her husband, Eugene Hodge, because of injuries while acting as a fireman, was passed over; the town could not vote money for such a purpose without an enabling act from the Legislature, even if it had been the wish of the voters to do so. The sum of \$960 was voted willingly to buy the high power spraying outfit bought last year by A. D. Ellis and loaned to the town by him.

The list of appropriations follows:

Liquor suppression,	\$ 300
Library,	300
Resurfacing sidewalks,	300
Memorial Day,	100
Street lights,	2,197
Night police,	750
Schools,	19,780
Interest on water bonds,	960
Retirement of water bonds,	3,000
Highways and bridges, (approximate),	5,800
Spraying trees,	200
Miscellaneous,	800
Re-decorating town hall,	1,000
Spraying machine,	960
Firemen's salaries,	850
Reimburse P. M. Saeerer,	160
Total,	\$11,407

Nearly 10,000 Peach Trees in Town.

Statistics recently gathered for the United States Department of Agriculture show that there are approximately 2900 peach trees of bearing age in town, and 7000 young trees, or a total 9900 peach trees. Recent examinations in different parts of the town show that fruit buds of the peach were not materially affected by the severe weather in December, and prospects for a good peach crop locally are very good.

For District Nurse Fund.

The Monson Improvement Society will offer a very interesting entertainment at Memorial Hall next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. Local talent will appear in a farce, vocal and instrumental selections, and Cantwell and Gould will have a "specialty" act. The proceeds of the entertainment will go towards the district nurse fund of the society. There will be a sale of home-made food and candy in the selectmen's rooms beginning at 7.30, and will continue between the acts and after the performance.

John Murray has rented W. H. Norton's tenement on Washington street. Miss Elsie Nicholson of Springfield spent the week-end with Miss Maude Rees.

A joint in the water main on Washington street sprung a leak Monday but was repaired Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Burt, who fell on the ice near her home Saturday and suffered a severe shock, is improving.

Miss Samantha Ross, who has been ill for several weeks at her home on Squier avenue, is improving.

Twenty friends of Miss Grace Sullivan gave her a surprise party at her home on State street Monday evening.

Harold M. Gore of Amherst, who has been spending a few days with Rufus P. Cushman Jr., has returned.

Kornal Abramswicz has sold his farm, known as the Frank Johnson place, to Samuel Koran, who has taken possession.

Maj. John H. Sherburn of the state militia gave a very interesting talk before the Men's Club of the Congregational church Monday evening on "Heavy Artillery, and its Use in the Present War in Europe." Each member present brought a guest. The usual collation was served.

No One Suggested It.

There has been considerable comment since the appropriation meeting Monday that no money was voted for permanent road, so that the town could get a like sum from the State under the "Small towns act" and so do a little more this year in the way of permanent road construction. An appropriation of \$1000 would have been voted easily, and motion to such effect could have come under the article which included appropriations for schools, out-door poor, etc. Such a measure had no sponsor however, and so was omitted. In this connection it has been suggested that a special appropriation meeting be called in the near future and the sum of \$1000 or \$1500 be voted for the construction of permanent highway. The state, under the small towns act, will then give a like sum and a moderately long strip of the Stafford road could be improved this year. There is time enough to call this special meeting.

Mrs. Lovinia Fenton.

The funeral of Mrs. Lovinia M. Fenton, 83, who died at her home on Main street last Friday morning, was held Sunday afternoon at 1.30, Rev. G. A. Andrews officiating. The body was taken to Brimfield for burial. Mrs. Fenton, who was Miss Lovinia Nelson, was born in Petersham, Jan. 2, 1832, and spent her early life there. She came to Monson more than 50 years ago and had since resided here. Mrs. Fenton was a member of the Congregational church for over 35 years. She leaves one son, Frederick M. of Springfield, two brothers, John Nelson of Athol and George C. Nelson of Boone, Ia., also two sisters, Mrs. Mary Edwards of Athol and Mrs. Caroline Brown of Easterville, Ia.

Anti-Suffrage Organization.

The formation last week of a local branch of the National Association of Anti-suffrage for women may have interesting developments. Authoritative speakers both pro and anti-suffrage have been heard at the Bungalow lately, and many Monson women have taken a deep interest. Those favoring the ballots for women are in the minority and have no local organization but they are by no means influenced in their views by these conditions, and women of the various societies who work constantly together are taking sides on the suffrage question.

To Work For Good Roads.

H. M. Smith attended a meeting of the transportation and good roads committee of the Hampden County Improvement League at Springfield Monday, at which were present representatives from all Hampden county towns. The road problem from each town was vigorously discussed, and the general sentiment was for a campaign for better permanent roads, rather than more trolleys, although representatives from Hampden and Wales held out for trolleys.

Miss Martha A. Ink, matron at Cushman Hall, who has been ill, is much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Fenton of Springfield, who have been in town for the past two weeks, have returned to their home.

E. C. Bradway has returned from the Wesson Memorial Hospital in Springfield, where he has been for an operation on his nose.

The Dorcas Society met with Mrs. F. P. Holdridge on Washington street yesterday afternoon. Work was for the Seaman's Friend Society.

Granite circle, Companions of the Forest, enjoyed a sleighride and turkey supper at the Hampshire House in Ware last Friday evening.

The Social and Literary club of the Universalist church will meet this evening. Miss Annie Entwistle and committee are in charge.

A party of 15 young men from Monson attended a private dance in the Hampden town hall Monday evening. Kittredge & Entwistle of this town furnished music.

The E. H. G. T. club met with Mr. Cross at the home of C. W. Carpenter on East Hill last Friday evening. Music and games were enjoyed, and refreshments were served.

Twenty friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Pero called at their home on Harrison avenue Tuesday night to extend their sympathies to Mr. Pero, who is convalescing from a serious operation.

Many Monson farmers will attend the dairymen's meeting in Harmony Hall, Springfield, to-morrow morning, held by the Massachusetts Dairymen's Association and the Hampden County Improvement League.

"Monsonia," published by the Senior class of Monson Academy, is in the hands of the printer and will be ready for distribution soon. Francis Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Rogers, is editor-in-chief. The paper will contain historical sketches, athletic data, and articles portraying the varied lines of activities.

Union Lenten Services.

The first of the union Lenten services will be held in the Methodist church next Thursday evening. Dr. G. A. Andrews will be the speaker. The program, including Holy Week, follows: February 25, in Congregational church, "Ideals of Life," Rev. W. A. Kilmer; March 4, in Universalist church, "Hindrances from Without," Rev. G. A. Andrews; March 11, in Methodist church, "Hindrances from Within," Rev. Abraham Conklin; March 18, in Congregational church, "Helps from Within," Rev. Abraham Conklin; March 25, in Universalist church, "Helps from Above," Rev. W. A. Kilmer; Holy Week—Wednesday, March 31, in Methodist church, "Service for Christ's Cause," Rev. G. A. Andrews; Thursday, April 1, in Congregational church, "Fellowship in Christ's Spirit," Rev. Abraham Conklin; communion of the Lord's supper, administered by Rev. W. A. Kilmer and Rev. G. A. Andrews, assisted by the officers of the participating churches; Friday, April 2, in Universalist church, "The Triumph of Christ's Cross," Rev. W. A. Kilmer.

"Peace Sunday" will be observed at the Congregational church Sunday morning in response to a request that churches on that day recall 100 years of peace between the United States and Canada.

The Dorcas Society will hold its last supper and social of the season in the parlors of the Congregational church on Friday, February 19, at 6.30. Committee in charge, Mrs. H. A. Merchant, Mrs. S. F. Cushman, Mrs. E. W. Capen, Mrs. F. S. Chapman.

The eighth grade held a sleighride party to Three Rivers Tuesday night. Miss Olivia C. Plynt and Miss Ruth Hibbard chaperoned the party. Miss Hynes' room at the Mechanic street school will hold a similar ride this evening. There are about 47 children in Miss Hynes' room.

W. C. Moulton is harvesting ice on Ellis pond for a wholesale trade next summer. Mr. Moulton has already filled the houses at H. M. Smith's on the Stafford road for domestic consumption. Judson Calkins has also filled his icehouse at his place on the Stafford upper road.

The adjourned meeting of the First Parish of Monson was held in the Congregational church parlors Tuesday evening. The annual appropriations for the current year were made. The report of the pledge card committee showed that pledges sufficient to cover the usual expenditures were already in.

SILVER STREET NOTES.

V. L. Andrews of Springfield has moved his family to the Schmeltzinger place.

Miss Hazel Edson has returned to her home after a two-weeks' stay with relatives in Springfield and Ware-house Point, Ct.

Homer Curtis was pleasantly surprised at his home Saturday evening by about twenty of his friends. Games and dancing were enjoyed. They presented Mr. Curtis with a watch.

The Embroidery Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Henry Green in East Wilbraham.

The Christian Endeavor Society presented the play entitled "The Queen of Hearts," in the East Brimfield church Wednesday evening.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushey.)

J. Moore, Field, Allyn and Evans were Springfield visitors Saturday.

Fred Rennie is about again after a short illness.

Morris House entertained the faculty Sunday evening with a supper.

The Linophilan society meets tonight. Pope and Dryden is the subject for discussion.

The proof of the "Monsonia" has been received from the printer and looks very well. The issue promises to be a very interesting one, and will show the grade of composition work done by some of the members of the school.

The Junior Promenade of Monson Academy was held in the Holmes Gymnasium last Friday evening, from 7.45 till 11. The "Gym" was tastefully decorated in yellow and white, the Junior class colors, and banners adorned the walls. Prominent among the dances were the one-step and hesitation-waltz. The out-of-town guests were Miss Carolyn Cande of Pittsfield, Miss Lucy Steele of Gloucester, Miss Hazel Shaw of Worcester, Miss Mary Ellis of Radcliffe College, Miss Irene Hill of Meriden, Ct., Miss Grace Revere of Wallingford, Ct.

A Great Career Ahead.

"Are you the professor?"
"Yes, sir. What can I do for you?"
"I have a daughter and I'd like to know what it will cost me to have her taught to sing. I think she will become a great operatic star if her voice is properly trained."
"Does she seem to have extraordinary gifts as a vocalist?"
"Well, no; we haven't noticed that her vocal gifts are out of the ordinary, but nobody seems to be able to manage her."—Chicago Herald.

HOLLAND.

The annual town meeting was held Monday with about the usual attendance. Rev. George B. Hurd was elected a library trustee and also auditor. There was a question whether he could hold both offices, but it is understood, serve as a trustee. Officers were elected as follows: Clerk and treasurer, A. E. Blodgett; selectmen, A. E. Morse, H. D. B. Bagley, J. F. Hebard; overseers of the poor, L. M. Howlett, L. C. Howlett, A. Jackson Bagley; assessor for three years, A. E. Morse; school committee for three years, F. A. Blodgett; cemetery commissioner for three years, A. F. Blodgett; water commissioner for three years, L. C. Howlett; library trustee for three years, Rev. G. B. Hurd; constables, A. Jay Bagley, J. F. Blodgett; fence viewers, W. A. Morse, H. J. Curtis, L. M. Howlett; field drivers, A. F. Blodgett, A. E. Morse, H. J. Curtis; measurers of wood and bark, D. E. Butterworth, A. J. Bagley; pound keeper, A. F. Blodgett; sealer of weights and measures, A. F. Blodgett; auditor, Rev. G. B. Hurd; highway surveyor, F. A. Blodgett. Appropriations were made as follows: Contingencies, \$125; paupers, \$300; library, \$43; town officers, \$300; schools, \$550; highways and bridges, \$475; extermination of moths, \$20; total, \$1613.

Enormous Rainfall in Hawaii.

The rainfall on the island of Hawaii varies greatly, ranging from the enormous downpour of 353 inches a year in the upper Waipio valley to twenty inches on some of the slopes of Hualala. The only surface streams on the island are found along the northeast coast between Hilo and Kohala. Waipio river, according to the United States geological survey, is the largest stream on the island and has been partly developed for irrigation. At Kapoho, on the east point of the island, warm water flows from seams in the rocks. These warm springs flow into a pool about 100 feet long, 25 feet wide and 20 feet deep. The pool is entirely surrounded by rocks, and its color varies in shade from a beautiful blue to violet. Walapele, or Green lake, is a body of fresh water in the pit of an old crater near Kapoho. This lake covers an area of about five acres and is fed by springs below the surface. A pumping plant takes water from this lake for domestic use and for irrigation.

Military Music.

"No one in time of peace can understand what war is," writes Rev. Charles E. Jefferson in the Woman's Home Companion. "We may prepare for it, but we do not realize what it is we are preparing for. Military preparations are quite interesting, even exciting. Boys and girls are always fascinated by the paraphernalia of battle. Never have the instruments of war been so intricate and sparkling as now. All the trappings of the military world are alluring."
"Military music is full of piercing notes, which set the corpuscles of the blood dancing. But military music is not the music of war. The music of war is the groans of wounded and dying men and the sobs of broken hearted women. Military music is one of the embroidered veils thrown over the face of war to make boys think that war is glorious."

A Mulberry Tree Legend.

The mulberry, "wisest of trees," as Pliny termed it, really "likes" London and fruits profusely even in the grounds of the Charterhouse, at murky Smithfield. London mulberry trees are mainly derived from a fad of James I., who wanted to found a silk growing industry. With the proverbial folly of a pedant, the British Solomon introduced the black mulberry, disliked by silkworms. Instead of the white variety, which forms their food. The black mulberry had been planted by Cardinal Pole at Lambeth in 1555, and there were still older specimens in the garden of Syon House. According to a pretty Greek legend, all mulberries were originally white, but a mulberry tree was growing beside "Ninny's tomb" when Pyramus and Thisbe died there, and the blood of the lovers turned the fruit to its present color.

Origin of the Onyx.

When waters charged with carbonate of calcium derived from limestone are allowed to evaporate they deposit their load in the form of slater, or tufa. This process can be observed at many thermal and "petrifying" springs and also in the formation of stalactites and stalagmites in limestone caverns. In this way large masses of compact carbonate are formed, some of them of great beauty. The so called "onyx marbles," of which the Mexican "onyx" is a familiar example, are formed in this way. Some rock of this class is stalagmitic in caverns, and some of it is formed by springs. Its variations in color and texture, to which its ornamental character is largely due, are commonly produced by impurities or inclusions, such as oxide of iron or even mud and clay.—New York Telegraph.

Concerning Posterity.

"We want posterity to feel that it owes a great deal to us," said the statesman.
"I don't know about its owing much to us," replied the politician. "But after we get through piling up debts posterity is going to feel that it owes a great deal to somebody."—Washington Star.

Circumstantial

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

The lawsuit between the MacGregor and MacAllister estates had been decided in favor of Fergus MacAllister, cousin to Alexander MacGregor, who had been long in possession of the estate. Both were bachelors, and, neither having children, the property would have gone in any event to MacAllister had his cousin continued to live single. But Fergus had heard that Alex was about to be married, and, since there was a doubt as to whether he or his cousin was legally entitled to the estate, he had commenced suit to gain it.

MacGregor was too honorable to permit Helen Cameron to become his wife till it was decided whether he would be rich or poor, and when the case was decided against him he released her. He made preparations to leave the homestead to his cousin, and when all was ready and he was about to leave Fergus drove up to the homestead, alighted and went into the house.

Andrew Cummings, a cobbler, was passing that way at 6 o'clock in the evening. He noticed MacAllister's chaise before the gate, and at the moment Alex MacGregor came out evidently in a rage and passed down the road. MacAllister did not return to his home to dinner, and, since it was known that he had gone to the homestead during the evening, a servant was sent to find out if possible if he was there. He found his master lying on the floor of the library dead. His skull had been fractured, apparently with an iron poker that showed signs of having inflicted the blow.

Alexander MacGregor was suspected, but it was not till Andy Cummings told of what he had seen that Alex was arrested. His story was that just before leaving the homestead his cousin had come in. The meeting was a trying one to Alex, who had just been dispossessed. He had upbraided his cousin, saying that he had not a cent in the world and knew not where to go for a lodging. Fergus had taken out a handful of gold pieces and offered them to him. Alex had scornfully declined to take them and had left the house in an excited state of mind.

MacGregor's misfortune was too much for Helen Cameron, who, despite her father's commands, visited him in jail and sat beside him during the trial, declaring that she would marry him, whatever the verdict might be. Since no one saw the murder committed her lover was not convicted, but there were few but believed that he had killed his cousin. Indeed, there was a special motive for his putting Fergus out of the way, for at Fergus' death he came again into possession of the estate he had lost.

For a time Alex refused to permit Helen to make the sacrifice of marrying a man who had been convicted by opinion if not by the courts. But when it was found that if she were not permitted to bear her burden with him her life would still be wrecked his parents begged Alex to withdraw his opposition. The pair were married privately and lived, not where the murder had been committed, but at Helen's home.

Alex dropped under the stigma of being considered his cousin's murderer. He was cut by his old friends, and had it not been for his wife not a human being would have crossed his threshold. Life to him was an intolerable burden. He preferred death to such a life.

One day his wife went to the homestead to examine the room where her husband had told her he had had an interview with Fergus with a view to discovering a clew to the real murderer. She made a search of the room where the corpse had been found and under a baseboard caught a glimpse of something yellow. Withdrawing the object it proved to be a gold sovereign.

MacGregor had told of the offer of the gold pieces by his cousin, but had no proof of his story. Helen, without a word to her husband, took the sovereign to her lawyer. He carried it to the only bank in the vicinity, and after an investigation it was learned that they had received a considerable number of sovereigns of the same coinage (1848) just before the date of the murder and on the morning of the day MacAllister was killed had paid him fifty of them.

The piece Helen had found was the only one that was traced up to this time. Andy Cummings some time after the murder was remembered by one of his neighbors to have offered a gold sovereign to be changed into silver. The attorney got out a warrant to search Andy's premises, and five sovereigns, coinage of 1848, were found in a stocking hidden under the eaves of his barn.

Andy was arrested. He at first explained having the sovereigns in his possession by the statement that MacAllister had owed him money, but when pressed for what the debt was for he broke down and made a confession.

On seeing MacGregor come out of the homestead curiosity had moved him to go in and investigate the cause of his wrath. In the library he had found on a table the gold Fergus had offered Alex. Cupidity seized him. He was gathering them in when Fergus appeared. A struggle followed. Andy seized the poker by the fireplace, struck his opponent on the head and killed him.

To divert suspicion from himself he had told what he had seen.

Some expenses—advertising and insurance, for instance—are economies.

Court Square Theater Bookings.

Attractive List For Amusement-Lovers For Next Week.

Trentini's appearance at the Court Square Theater next Tuesday will be a social occasion of note. Lovers of grand opera are determined to hear her, and it is appreciated, too, that this occasion will have all of the festive air of the most comical of musical comedies. Trentini herself is a natural comedienne, and with Clifton Crawford to abet her, it is assured that the fun will observe no speed laws. It has long been realized by astute theatrical managers that Trentini and Crawford would be a combination of stars irresistible to the public. Trentini's buoyant style and Crawford's droll whimsicalities contrast to perfection. However, not until this season has this consummation been possible, but owing to the war, both Mr. Crawford and Madam Trentini's plans went awry, and the Messrs. Shubert snapped them up. To the scintillating melodies of the operetta new dances have been devised by Jack Mason, and it is assured that the production at the Court Square Theater will be an event that will be talked about during the rest of the season.

The announcement that Maude Adams is to appear at the Court Square Theater next Wednesday in a special revival of "Quality Street" will unquestionably please many people who admire the actress and appreciate the work of the Scotch dramatist, J. M. Barrie. In the long and varied range of characters that Miss Adams has played it is only natural that some of them stand out with greater prominence than others. This is not always due to the merit of interpretation, but to individual liking of story and characterization. To a great many people two of Miss Adams' characterizations will always stand out clearly and distinctly. These are Lady Babbie in "The Little Minister," and Phoebe Throssell in "Quality Street." The stories in which these characters were set made a strong appeal to all those who still had any sentiment and romance left in their heads. The company surrounding Miss Adams is made up of prominent players.

William Elliott's production of "Kitty MacKay," an irresistible comedy of youth by Catherine Chisholm Cushing, will be the attraction next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, with a matinee on Saturday. It is a story of a modern Cinderella. Its locales are two—a quaint village in the Scottish Highlands, and aristocratic London. The period is the mid-Victorian era, an epoch resplendent with romance, material and mental accomplishment, and vibrant with restless ambition and change.

"Kitty's" lowly birth in the heathered hills, her sixteen years of serfdom in which, like Cinderella, she flourishes spiritually and physically despite abuse, her romantic discovery by her knightly cousin, her fairylike transfer to noble halls and the wealth and luxury, of the British capitol, the dark cloud of mystery which separates her from the soldier-youth she loves, her tragic return to Scotland, the final clearing of the tale by a frightened villager on his death-bed, and the happy reunion of the two lovers—these are the mileposts on the absorbing highway of vivid and sparkling narrative. Not only is the element of romance made prominent; the wit and humor of this play, its brilliant sallies, and rapier-like interchange of flashing dialogue surpass anything penned into the pages of an American-made comedy in years.

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CASH OR EASY TERMS

The Victoria Cross.

The recipient of the Victoria cross is "V. C." and nobody sees anything strange in that. It is curious to recall the difficulties Queen Victoria felt upon the point when the V. C. was instituted. "The queen thinks," she wrote to Lord Panmure, "that the persons decorated with the Victoria cross might very properly be allowed to bear some distinctive mark after their name. * * * V. C. would not do. E. G. means a Knight of the Garter, C. B. a Companion of the Bath, M. P. a Member of Parliament, M. D. a doctor of medicine, etc., in all cases designating a person. No one could be called a Victoria cross. V. C., moreover, means vice chancellor at present. D. V. C. (decorated with the Victoria cross) or B. V. C. (bearer of the Victoria cross) might do. The queen thinks the last the best."—London Mirror.

Speed of Animals.

It is believed that no animal has ever exceeded the speed which can be attained by the horse. Instantaneous photographs of one famous specimen showed the full length of a complete stride to be about twenty-six feet. The hare has not, in reality, the speed of the dog. The dog, on the other hand, does not attain the speed of the horse. The giraffe is said to run at the rate of fifteen yards per second under the most favorable conditions. The elephant, going at the rate of two yards a second, carries a weight approximating to that carried by six horses.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Duffer's Lament.

Old Player—Well, how do you feel after your first twosome at golf? Duffer—Feel? Huh! I started ahead of about forty twosomes and a half dozen foursomes, and I had so many people say "Would you mind our going through you?" that I feel like a human sieve!—Chicago News.

Cause and Effect.

"How deflected those cows look?" "Maybe that is why their milk is so blue."—Baltimore American.

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G. E. Wood, State Ave., Palmer, says: "I was subject to a dull pain in the small of my back. This, together with a too frequent desire to pass the kidney secretions made me miserable. The doctor said I couldn't expect to live long. I began taking Doan's Kidney Pills and they made me well."

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Appropriation Meeting Draws Large Number

(Continued from first page.)

if he collects all but \$2000 by the end of the year; 75 per cent may be paid as soon as 75 per cent of the taxes are collected.

Art. 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors.

Appropriated \$200.

Art. 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the Young Men's Library Association.

Appropriated \$2500.

Art. 13. To see if the town will raise money to convey pupils to and from the public schools, and to authorize the School Committee as to the manner of letting the contract for such conveyance.

Left to school committee.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to raise money for the celebration of Memorial Day.

Appropriated \$100.

Art. 15. To see what action the town will take in regard to lighting the streets, and whether it will authorize the Selectmen to make contract therefor, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Selectmen instructed to make contract. Appropriated \$7467.

Art. 17. To see what action the town will take in reference to the planting and preservation of shade trees.

Appropriated \$200.

Art. 18. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for the care and improvement of cemeteries.

Appropriated \$1050.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to maintain night police in the several villages, authorize the Selectmen to make rules and regulations for their government, and appropriate money for the same or take any action relative thereto.

Appropriated \$1750.

Art. 21. To see what action the town will take relative to suits and claims pending against the town.

Left to selectmen.

Art. 22. To see if the town will make provision for reimbursing the police officers for expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Appropriated \$100.

Art. 23. To see if the town will appropriate money for the suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths and elm tree beetles.

Appropriated \$400.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the repair and maintenance of the clock located in the Universalist Church tower, in the Depot Village, or take any action relative thereto.

Appropriated \$75.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$300.00 for insurance and maintenance of the auto fire truck, for the ensuing year, or see what action it will take relative thereto.

Yes.

Art. 26. To see if the town will appropriate money for defraying the town's share of the support of the District Court.

Appropriated \$800.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to extend the sewer in Thorndike street in the Depot Village from its northern terminus to a point nearly opposite the residence of John Lewis, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the highway leading from the village of Bondville to Four Corners at a point opposite the residence of George Roberts, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in Commercial Street in the village of Thorndike from a point opposite the residence of W. J. Monger southerly to a point opposite the residence of Mary Healey and thence easterly to the Ware River, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to construct a sewer in the village of Thorndike, from a point near the property of Joseph Chabot easterly to the highway leading from the village of Bondville to Four Corners, and southerly through a portion of High Street, to the Commercial street sewer, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the highway leading from the village of Bondville to Four Corners at a point opposite the residence of George Roberts, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to permit the Town House at Four Corners to be used for the public school during the months of July and August, or take any action relative thereto.

Yes, provided those using it pay for the necessary alterations.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the highway leading from the village of Bondville to the village of Thorndike at the point of intersection of said highway with Bondville Road, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on Thorndike street in the Depot Village at a point near the residence of John Lewis, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to resurface the Main street road in the village of Bondville from its intersection with Depot street, to its intersection with Bondville Road, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

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Art. 39. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain an electric light on the easterly side of Holbrook street in the Depot Village, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to rebuild the culvert across the Gates brook on the easterly side of School street from the grammar school building westerly to Pleasant street, and on the easterly side of Pleasant street from Pearl street to School street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 41. To see if the town will vote to install curbing and raise the sidewalks on the following streets in the Depot Village, namely: On the easterly side of Church street from the residence of Mrs. W. Leach easterly to Pleasant street; on the easterly side of School street from the grammar school building westerly to Pleasant street, and on the easterly side of Pleasant street from Pearl street to School street, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 42. To see if the town will vote to repair Thorndike street from Main street in the Depot Village to the top of Cemetery Hill, so-called, near the village of Thorndike, and raise and appropriate money for the same, or take any action relative thereto.

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Art. 44. To see if the town will vote to locate and maintain three electric lights on the easterly side of the village of Three Rivers between Main street and the property of Joseph Laundry, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

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Art. 46. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen, in the name of the town, to procure a lease of suitable rooms, to be used as offices for the various officers of the town, for a term not exceeding ten years; to agree upon the provisions of said lease, or take any other action relative thereto.

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Art. 51. To see if the town will vote to accept the bequest of \$500.00 given to it in the third clause of the will of the late Henry G. Loomis for the erection of a granite monument in the Depot Village and Cemetery in the Depot Village and comply with the condition upon which the said bequest is made, namely, that the town shall furnish, free of charge, running water for the same during the proper season, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 52. To see if the town will raise and appropriate money for watering public streets and determining the extent to which, and the manner in which, the cost of watering said streets shall be assessed upon the abutting estates, or take any other action relative thereto.

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BRIMFIELD.

Orange Grove Entertaining Concert.

The concert given by Brimfield Grange in the town hall Tuesday evening for the benefit of the State Grange educational fund was a very enjoyable musical event and was well attended by Grange members and other townspeople. The program, all of whose numbers were heartily enjoyed, was as follows: Piano solo, Miss Alice Sherman; song, Mrs. Irving Davis; violin solo, Miss Helen Thayer; recitation, William Spooner; vocal duet, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wells; cello solo, Principal G. F. Kenney; vocal quartet, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Clarence Brown, Munroe Tarbell, Robert Streeter; song, with violin obligato, Edward Wells; cornet solo, Munroe Tarbell; song, Mrs. Clarence Brown; recitation, with piano accompaniment, Mrs. Wells; song, Robert Streeter; piano solo, Miss Sherman. The accompanists were Mrs. Tarbell, Mrs. Kenney and Miss Prescott. The members of the Academy faculty, all of whom are present or past Grange members, took part in the concert. The net receipts to be turned over to the educational aid fund were about \$20. This is the largest amount that has been raised for that purpose during the four years that the local Grange has held entertainments, according to the custom of local Granges, for the aid fund. The enterprise for maintaining a fund whose income shall assist boys and girls in obtaining a higher education was started in 1911. Last year the contributions to the fund amounted to \$1754.96. During the past three years 47 students have received \$6995, and three of these have finished their courses and paid back their loans with nominal interest. Leading institutions which they have attended are Massachusetts Agricultural College, Brown University, Boston University, Bowdoin College, Boston School of Oratory, Clark College, Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, various normal schools, Simmons College, the Young Men's Christian Association College, Springfield, Tufts College and Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

Death of Mrs. Barbara Parker.

Mrs. Barbara Parker, 59, the wife of Joseph B. Parker, died at her home Sunday after a lingering illness. Mrs. Parker was Miss Barbara McKenzie, the daughter of Alexander and Katherine McKenzie of Pictou, N. S., where she was born November 14, 1855. She was married October 9, 1873, to Joseph B. Parker in Milwaukee, Wis., where Mr. Parker was engaged in the leather business. Mr. and Mrs. Parker moved later to Salem, where they lived until 1908. At that time they moved to Brimfield, where they have since lived on the Parker homestead occupied by Major Nathaniel Parker over a century ago. Besides her husband Mrs. Parker leaves four children, Penel A., Charles P., and Miss Ella Parker of Brimfield, and Mrs. F. S. Gifford of Danvers. She is also survived by a sister, Miss Mary McKenzie of Cambridge. The funeral was yesterday afternoon, Rev. William Estabrook officiating; burial was in the family lot in the Brimfield cemetery.

A large number from Brimfield Grange attended a dance given by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Warren Grange in that town last Friday evening, enjoying a sleighride to and from. Miss Hyde, in charge of the medical department of the Springfield library, and her cousin, George Farrar of Lincoln, who have been staying at the hotel for a few days, have returned to Springfield.

Orus E. Parker, Dr. R. V. Sawin and Mrs. Kenney were among those who attended the dinner and a meeting of representatives of the Hampden County Improvement League, held at the Worthy Hotel in Springfield Saturday.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Grange held its regular meeting last week Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. John H. Noyes. A contribution was made for a woman worker in the Home department of the Hampden County Improvement League.

Last Sunday was observed as Peace Sunday at the Congregational church

in commemoration of the treaty of Ghent, and it was also everybody-goto-church Sunday. Rev. W. A. Estabrook showed that the century of peace between Great Britain and the United States is an example of the result of conformity with the spirit of God.

A number of Brimfield people attended a stereopticon lecture given by Clarence Stowell of Providence in Grand Army Hall in Fiskdale Thursday night. Mr. Stowell was formerly of Brimfield, a graduate from the Academy here. The lecture was for the benefit of the J. Arthur Johnson Grand Army Post, to which the veterans of this town belong.

There will be a meeting in the town hall to-night to consider the question of child welfare. Parents and all others interested in the subject are urged to attend. Mrs. Kenney will give a talk on the value of folk dancing and games as a form of exercise for girls, and the subject will be illustrated by some of the girls from the Hitchcock Academy and young women from Springfield. Opportunity will be given for discussion of the many phases of the problem of physical education and recreation. The meeting will open at 7.45.

WARREN.

William Faron has returned from St. Vincent's Hospital in Worcester, where he underwent the removal of his right eye. About two weeks ago he was injured in the Sayles & Jenks woolen mill and it was found necessary to remove the eye.

A Blunt Excuse.

There is a story of an English clergyman who had taken temporary duty for a friend and who had the ill luck to injure his false teeth during the week. The plate was sent to the dentist for repairs, a faithful assurance being given that it should be returned by Sunday's post, but the dentist or the post proved faithless.

With the assistance of the clerk the clergyman managed to stumble through the prayers, but felt it would be useless to attempt to preach. He therefore instructed the clerk to make some excuse for him and dismiss the congregation. But his feelings may be better imagined than described when, in the seclusion of the vestry, he overheard the clerk in impressive tones thus deliver the excuse:

"Parson is very sorry, but it is his misfortune to be obliged to wear a set of artful teeth. They busted last Wednesday, and he ain't got them back from London today, as he was promised. I've helped him all I could through the service, but I can't do more for him. 'Tisn't any use for him going up in the pulpit, for you wouldn't understand a word he said, so he thinks you all may as well go home."

Wagging the Ears.

You will rarely find that a man who can wag his ears suffers from deafness. The reason for this is very simple. Wagging one's ears exercises them just as much as walking exercises the muscles of the legs. A great deal of deafness is caused by the muscles of the ears becoming stiff and refusing to respond quickly to the sound waves. Quite a large proportion of children can move their ears, just as they can move the skin on their forehead up and down, but as they grow up they lose their power through want of practice. It is a mistake to let a child lose this power, for it may mean the difference between good and bad hearing in after years. Dr. M. Fernet, the famous Paris doctor, has even gone so far as to suggest that people should be trained to wag their ears, just as they are trained to exercise any other muscles of the body.—San Francisco Chronicle.

A Rothschild Arsenal.

The Austrian Rothschilds are the only members of the family to manufacture armaments. As proprietor of the Wittkowitz iron works in Moravia, Baron Louis de Rothschild, the head of the Austrian branch, furnishes the army with metal for its guns and the navy with armor plates. These huge works, the technical organization of which is perfect in every detail, have grown out of a small foundry purchased by the late Baron Albert de Rothschild. The development of the Austrian railway system is also closely connected with the Rothschilds. They financed the two largest lines in the empire—the north and south lines—and still hold a good portion of the shares.

A Mind Reading Craze

By MARTHA V. MONROE

A mind reader had come to town and had given some astonishing public exhibitions. But this had not the effect on the beau monde of an exhibition he gave at the house of Mrs. MacGruder, one of society's leaders. This private entertainment made him fashionable, and every young man who had shaken his brains down into his heels at cotillon parties and every young girl whose aristocratic manners and conserved beauty had given her the right to look down on her sisters who had the brains to take down the dictation of a scientific constructor or a merchant prince was talking about mind reading.

Pete Barnical and Lucy Witridge were sitting together, she on a sofa, he in a chair opposite her. He was holding a skein of yarn on his hands which she was winding into a ball. "I have heard," said Miss Witridge, "that Mrs. Powellton is very much displeased that Mrs. MacGruder got ahead of her by giving that mind reading exhibition at her house. You see, all society is talking about it. Of course it is greatly to Mrs. MacGruder's credit to have introduced the matter."

"Did the mind reader find out who had the most mind?"

"I don't think that was his object. He told what people were thinking about."

"What were they thinking about?"

"What a question! It wasn't that which was wonderful; it was that he could tell without knowing what they were thinking about."

"How could he tell what he didn't know?"

She lifted her big brown liquid eyes from a tangle in the yarn she was straightening out to his with a kind of puzzled wonder.

"I didn't mean to say," she replied when she had given her brain time to work out an answer, "that he could tell what a person was thinking about without knowing it, but he didn't know it until—until!"

"He found it out," supplied Pete.

"No, not that either. The remarkable feature of his performance was the way he found it out."

"How did he do it?"

"How did he do it? Why, he did it by—"

"Perhaps he didn't know himself."

"That's it. He said he didn't know how he did it."

"What did he do?"

"He took Billy Perkins' hand and, blindfolded, led Billy to what he was thinking about. Then Mr. Horton wrote something on a piece of paper, folded it, put it in an envelope, put the envelope in a book, put the book on the top of the library, and then—"

"Where did he put the library?"

"The library? He didn't put that anywhere. It was there already."

"Well, then what happened?"

"The mind reader told what was written on the paper, though he had been blindfolded all the time."

"That's nothing remarkable. I'll bet I can tell what you're thinking about this minute."

"I don't believe you can do any such thing."

"Try me. Think of something, and I'll tell you what it is."

"Very well; I've thought of something."

"A pumpkin."

There was contempt in her expression as she looked at him and replied that she wasn't thinking of any such thing.

"Yes, you were. You were thinking of Tom Baxter. You couldn't think of Tom Baxter without thinking of Tom Baxter's head. Tom Baxter's head is a pumpkin!"

"How ridiculous!" But she did not smile. Indeed, she made the exclamation because she didn't quite grasp the logical conclusion.

"I'll tell you what you do," he proceeded, not giving her time to think it all out. "You fix your mind on something and I'll lead you to it."

She spent some time selecting an object, then told him she was ready. He took her hand and led her to the piano.

"I didn't think of that at all," she said.

"I'll try again," he said, still holding her hand, and he led her to a clock on the mantel.

"Wrong again."

He led her to a tete-a-tete in the center of the room. She didn't say whether he was right or not, nor did he ask her. They sank into their respective seats on the tete-a-tete. He still held her hand.

"I can tell you what you are thinking about," he said.

"What?"

"Tom Baxter."

"I'm not."

"Me."

She did not reply to this. She lowered her eyes.

"And I can tell you," he went on, "what you think I'm thinking about."

"What?"

"You're thinking that I'm thinking that I—that I love you."

There was a great deal more of this intellectual conversation, but at this point it became what the world has heard very often, though it is a question if it tires persons. The mind reader had at least given a young man a reasonable excuse to propose.

But why he went so far out of his way to tell a simple truth that she wanted to hear only persons endowed with sentiment know, and they can't tell.

In everything one must consider the end.

BREVITY OF ENGLISH.

Its Advantage In This Respect Over French and German.

In an international report, printed in parallel columns in French, German and English, the three versions being exact translations of each other, the English report invariably finished first; sometimes it won by a whole page. As a rule, the French report was the most diffuse.

This brevity of English is partly explained by the fact that English is made up to an extraordinary extent of words of one syllable. Its nouns having (unlike the German) lost all their inflections except the possessive "s," have become mere roots, a very large proportion of them monosyllabic. In Germany a monosyllabic root practically always gets an extra syllable tacked on by way of case ending. In the second place English has little of the elaborate and explicit machinery of structure that French has, so it saves space in prepositions and such paraphernalia. Instead, English has what the grammarians call implicit agglutination—that is, sticking words together in groups without either prepositions or case endings to connect them.

An example of the former kind of brevity is a word like "earthquake," two syllables, compared with the German "erdbeben," three syllables, and the French "tremblement de terre," five syllables. An example of the terseness of English would be a phrase like, "I have been to the house and have now come back;" every word a single syllable. In a telegram this would be just as intelligible in the form "Been house now back." You cannot carry that sort of thing far in any other European language.—Manchester Guardian.

THE STATE OF FRANKLIN.

It Had a Short Life In What Is Now Eastern Tennessee.

In 1784 North Carolina, growing impatient of the burden that her western settlements had imposed upon her treasury and irritated by the complaints of the people of those sections, passed an act conveying to the federal government all the lands that now constitute the state of Tennessee.

The people of the country that is now eastern Tennessee, feeling themselves left without a government, made haste to organize themselves into an independent commonwealth, which they called, as a tribute to the illustrious philosopher, the state of Franklin. These people applied for admission into the Union; but the federal government being slow and unwilling to act and North Carolina having repealed the act of cession of her western province to the Union, the state of Franklin came into very troubled waters for some years.

Some efforts were made to persuade the Kentuckians to join themselves to the state of Franklin, a provision having been made for such co-operation in the constitution of the experiment. But they came to nothing. The new state gradually fell to pieces, and in 1787 its brilliant and able governor, John Sevier, was put on trial for high treason. He was released by a daring rescue and subsequently pardoned and restored in name to the leadership, which he never lost in the affections of his people. In 1787 the last legislature of the state of Franklin held its session at Greenville.—Philadelphia Press.

Napoleon's Confidence.

Just before his marriage Napoleon received the appointment of commander in chief of the army of Italy. He was then twenty-six. "You are rather young," said one of the directors, "to assume responsibility so weighty and to take command over veteran generals."

"In one year," Napoleon replied, "I shall be old or dead."

"We can place you in command of men only," said Carnot, "for the troops are in need of everything, and we can furnish you with no money to provide supplies."

"Give me only men enough," Napoleon answered, "and I ask for nothing more; I will be answerable for the result."—Table Talk and Opinions of Napoleon Buonaparte.

Pure Bred Arab Horses.

In Cairo there is a society for preserving the pure bred Arab horse. It is said that recent changes in the lives and habits of the Bedouins have resulted in the deterioration of these horses. A practical horseman of wide experience says that as a rule the Arab horse is now no better treated than our own horses, whatever may have been true of the old days when such poems as "The Arab to His Steed" were written.

A Troublemaker.

"Why did you tell my wife that before I met her I promised to love you forever?"

"Well, didn't you?"

"Sure I did, but that's no kind of conversation to go to a man's wife with."—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

Fulfilled.

Mrs. Gnags—Before we were married you used to say you could listen to my sweet voice all night. Mr. Gnags—Well, at that time I had no idea I'd ever have to do it.—Judge.

Not a Bout Winner.

Tramp—Once I was well known as a wrestler. mum. Lady—And do you wrestle now? Tramp—Only wid poverty. mum.—New Orleans Times-Picayune.

Comparison more than reality makes men happy and can make them wretched.—Feltham.

Remember the end, and thou shalt never do amiss.

Albinos.
Albino is a term first applied by the Portuguese to the white negroes of West Africa and is now applied to any individual in whom there is congenital deficiency of pigment in skin, hair, iris and choroid of the eye. The skin is abnormally pale, the hair is white or pale flaxen, and the iris is pink. The absence of pigment in the iris renders an albino's eyes sensitive and partially blind in the sunlight. The chief predisposing cause is heredity. It may also be due to congenital arrest of development and is sometimes associated with other malformations, but it often occurs in persons who are otherwise normal. White mice, white rabbits, white elephants, etc., are albinos.

Relics of Old Persia.

Shuster, the old capital of Persia, is one of Iran's wonder cities. In the dawn of Persian civilization it took a leading part. On the bank of the only navigable river the country can boast, the city gets its name from the famous ruler, Shapur, who built great irrigating dams and a noble bridge across the Kurun, now wrongly credited to the emperor Valerian. Sixteen hundred years have left the great bridge, a quarter of a mile in length, with yawning gaps, but the water of the river runs today through the channels and tunnels made to fertilize a land that had not yet been overrun by the Arabic barbarians who destroyed the culture of Persia.—London Mail.

Spontaneous Combustion.

Spontaneous combustion can only occur when oxidation causes the temperature to rise to the ignition point of the material. Spontaneous combustion of the human body is impossible on account of the heat regulating effect of the 75 or 80 per cent of water contained. The enormous heat necessary to dry the tissues sufficiently would destroy life long before ignition could take place. An old idea was that the alcohol in a confirmed drunkard might promote combustion, but Liebig showed that even if the body could give off inflammable vapor and this could become ignited the body itself would not be set on fire.

Real Success.

There are laws in the spiritual world no less than in the physical. All real and lasting success comes from working in harmony with them. To try to work without them—or against them—means failure always. The laws for success in business are honesty, faithfulness, perseverance and courage. To try to get along without honesty means moral disaster; without faithfulness you get inefficiency; without perseverance you waste your time; if you leave out courage there's a weak place that will mean a breakdown in some sudden emergency. The man who tries to break these laws gets broken by them.—Youth's Companion.

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Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.
High Officials and Matrimony—Constitutional Convention Likely to Fail—Speaker Cox Doing Well—Tour Workers' Bill—Peace Resolutions—Biennial Elections—Salary Increase.

BOSTON, February 15.—Human nature being fond of gossip and it also being true that "all the world loves a lover," and furthermore, loves to find out about lovers and to speculate about them, it happens that bachelors are a constant subject of public interest because of their bachelorhood, especially if they are prominent in public life. This is constantly illustrated in the frequent connections in the gossip of the names of Gov. Walsh, Lieut. Gov. Cushing and Representative Robert M. Washburn of Worcester with the subject of matrimony. It is not long ago that one of the Boston morning papers had a long story about the matrimonial status of the governor, and the newspaper men who saw it supposed that the clever reporter had scored a valuable scoop. But it was learned afterward that the story did not run through all of the edition. It was explained that its probable fate was that when it came to be seen by some man higher up than the editor who sent it along he saw the peril of any such statement, so that the press was stopped and the story cancelled for the remainder of the edition. There are persistent rumors connected with the governor's matrimonial status, but they are not yet proved to be anything more than rumors. There has been a report that he was engaged to the daughter of a certain prominent business man who occupies a high position in the state administration by the governor's appointment. But the governor has never yet admitted that there was, in his acknowledged friendship for the father, any unusual interest in the daughter. Lieut. Gov. Cushing is frequently referred to because of his single state, but he seems to keep on undisturbed. Representative Washburn frequently has it hurled at him in debate that he is not discharging his duties as a citizen, or that he is not familiar with the ordinary conditions of life. Yet he continues to remain single. Nobody knows how many letters this constant advertising brings the victims, but they have shown no signs of surrender yet.

Gov. Walsh is not getting out of the Walker dilemma—at all, except as the lapse of time brings other subjects into the public attention. Yet the longer time there is, the more the activity in behalf of the deposed commissioner seems to multiply and he is making capital right along. Farmers' organizations in different parts of the state are taking up the cudgels in his behalf and resolutions are adopted which tend to strengthen the deposed commissioner and to weaken the position of the governor. The commission on economy and efficiency has complied with the order of the committee on rules and has produced the report which was before the governor as the basis of the removal. Of course some of the facts which the governor gave out are found in it, but Chairman F. X. Tyrrell is sure that there are other ingredients in the case than those named in his report. He has been anxious to have the matter put before the public, for there has been criticism of his course. Comment which is heard is that it is very evident that Commissioner Walker was not before a friendly board when he was summoned before the governor and council to tell his story.

Gov. Walsh does not seem likely to win with his plan for a constitutional convention. He has the Democrats with him, in the main. There has been a conference between him and the leading Democrats of the House, and they have appointed a steering committee of about 20 members to hold the democracy together and to promote the governor's plans. But there is so much opposition to the plan of a state constitutional convention that it seems sure to fail. It is evident, from long observation, that the present plan is by far better than the plan of overhauling the constitution wholesale once in a while, even if other states do go through the process. Under our Massachusetts plan of one amendment at a time, attention can be focused on it and the merits and demerits can be brought under public discussion. But if the entire constitution be thrown at the people at once, all who object to any part of it will oppose the whole on that account. There will be so many different propositions that it will be impossible to secure adequate discussion of any of them and therefore there is much danger that the entire work of the convention will be rejected, just as it was in 1853, when our last constitutional convention was held. Large expense was incurred and the net result was just nothing at all. It is estimated that the expense now, if one were held, would be not less than \$500,000 and it might run up to a much higher sum.

Speaker Cox is making a good opening for his administration. He keeps better order than Speaker Cushing kept a id he tries to make a first class

presiding officer. Though he is near the beginning of his efforts he holds out most encouragingly and his friends are gratified at his record.

In your part of the state there is doubtless interest in the hours of labor of paper-mill workers. For the third consecutive year the bill is pending for three shifts of workers instead of two, making their hours eight each instead of 12. There are some very touching tales told of the long hours and hard work of the tour-workers. The federation of labor is behind the bill and William Smith Alden, president of the state branch of the American Federation of Labor, was one of the speakers at the hearing, Senator Echehan of Holyoke conducting the case. About 85 per cent of all the mills in the state are on the three-shift system, but there are some large mills with only two shifts and there is a strong combination of manufacturers against the bill. The hearing was continued to next Friday on account of the absence of many of the manufacturers at some convention.

There has been reported unanimously by the committee on federal relations the following resolutions, whose purpose is to promote the peace and prosperity of the world, the idea being that no other proposition will so surely bring an end of war for all time. The matter has been assigned to Wednesday:

Whereas, The incalculable cost and calamity of the European war have caused a strong public sentiment for the end of all war, therefore be it

Resolved, that the general court of Massachusetts hereby respectfully requests the Congress of the United States to make a declaration in substance as follows:

The United States of America affirms the political unity of all mankind.

It affirms the supremacy of world sovereignty over national sovereignty.

It promises loyal obedience to that sovereignty.

It believes the time has come for the organization of the world government, with legislative, judicial and executive departments.

It invites all nations to join with it in the formal establishment of that government.

Resolved, That this resolution be transmitted by the secretary of the commonwealth to the senior senator and the senior representative in Congress from Massachusetts for presentation in their respective branches.

The committee on constitutional amendments has not yet assigned the hearing on the petitions for biennial elections. The movement for this amendment is more general than since it was defeated by 50,000 majority in 1896. But there is watchful and determined opposition. All of the labor bodies are unanimous for annual elections, and they will make a strenuous protest against any effort to remove the government further from the people. One of the singular features of this matter in other states is that Gov. Emmet O'Neal of Alabama, where they have quadrennials, has written a magazine article to say that the biennial and quadrennial systems have increased the very evils they were designed to prevent and that it would be better for the states to return to their old annual system. The Democracy is on record against biennials, whereas the Republicans, in 1896, deliberately remained silent, after discussing the matter in their resolutions, feeling that they had nothing to gain and much to lose by endorsing the proposition.

The House has voted almost two to one to-day for a salary increase bill, after the Republican caucus declared against it, but nearly all of the Democrats voted for the bill, so the responsibility is really on them and the Republican minority who went with them. The bill was one to raise the salaries of the Norfolk county commissioners from \$1200 each to \$1400.

LONDON.

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LONG HAIR AND LONGEVITY.

A Theory That There May Be Some Relation Between Them.

Did it ever occur to you that there was any relation between a fine, bushy head of white hair and the long life of the owner?

I believe that I can claim without fear of successful refutation that a very large majority of men who have passed the age of eighty years have or had a goodly show of hair on the crown or top of their heads. I by no means claim that this is universal, for it is easy to recall men who lived to even greater age than eighty who were quite bald.

Without any attempt at a chronological list, I jot down a few names that come to mind as I write: John I. Blair, known at his time as New Jersey's richest man, ninety-four; Daniel Drew, New York capitalist and college founder, ninety-one; Hon. William E. Gladstone, English statesman, eighty-nine; Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt, New York, founder of the New York Central railroad, eighty-three; Rev. Edward Beecher (brother of Henry Ward), ninety-two; Hon. Peter Cooper, New York philanthropist, ninety-three.

It would be easy also to name quite a number of men who possessed fine heads of hair who reached only middle age, but my purpose is not to be statistical, but rather to possibly start interest in an unusual subject and see what can be deduced therefrom.—Pittsburgh Press.

RIGHT AND LEFT HANDED.

A Series of School Tests and an Ambidextrous Failure.

Ever since it was proved that in all right-handed people the speech center of the brain—the place from which talking is controlled—is on the left side of the brain and that in left-handed people it is on the right side there has existed a suspicion that if a person became ambidextrous, or able to use both hands equally well, the speech center might be doubled, and consequently talking ability might be improved. Very elaborate tests have shattered this hope.

A German specialist obtained the assistance of the school authorities and tried it out on nearly 3,000 school children. After a careful record was taken of each child's hand preference, speech ability and general capability all the children were told to try to use both hands. For many months an effort was made to have all the children become ambidextrous.

At the end of the test all the teachers and other observers agreed that, though some of the children had succeeded in becoming ambidextrous, the effort had worried them all and had shown no advantages manually or in speech that in any way recompensed for the trouble taken. Consequently the scientist has decided that nature is doing pretty well with her own system of left side speech and right hand preference.—Saturday Evening Post.

Elephants' Ears.

The African elephant is equipped with enormous ears, while his brother in India has only small ears. Both animals have small, inadequate eyes and are forced to trust to scent rather than vision in the battle of existence. The Indian elephant lives in the jungle, where odors are pungent and easily discernible, but the African elephant is a native of the plains, where the air is dry and hot and barely circulates. The heat dries the moisture out of the tiny hairs in the nostrils which connect with the sensory nerves, and it is only through flapping his enormous ears that he can create the currents of air which enable him to discern any odor at all.

Travelers are prone to ascribe the flapping of an elephant's ears to fury, but this is a mistaken notion.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Gunners' Patron Saint.

Why was St. Barbara chosen to be the patron saint of all gunners? It is one of those things which are to be known and which one ought to know, but does not. Meanwhile there is the fact that she does intercede for all gunners by land or sea.

In the old French navy the Ste. Barbe was the gun room, and the name may be found with that meaning attached to it in all dictionaries. Moreover, in France she is the saint not only of gunners, but of all fire brigades. The sapeurs pompiers hold their holiday on the day of her feast.—Westminster Gazette.

Where He Learned Juggling.

Rankin—Do you know Professor Toshemup, the great juggler?

Phyle—I should say so. We were raised together.

"How in the world did he ever learn all of those wonderful stunts?"

"He started to earn his living as a photographer, and he learned all of those tricks while trying to amuse the babies whose pictures he took."—Youngstown Telegram.

Financial Strabismus.

"I'm afraid our new treasurer will ruin this concern," remarked the head of the trust.

"What is he doing?"

"Why, he talks of paying our debts instead of refunding them."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Wedding.

"This poor girl was simply sold to a rich husband."

"Oh, you're mistaken. I was there and saw her father give her away."—Baltimore American.

Few persons live today, but are preparing to do so tomorrow.—Diderot.

Although I am a pious man, I am not the less a man.

SEARCHLIGHTS IN WAR.

How They Are Worked by Distant Control in Land Operations.

In modern warfare the searchlight is invaluable. On dark nights at sea it is the only means of guarding against torpedo boats, which its beams will reveal at a distance of two miles and more.

On shore it is the electric eye of the army. It is carried to all parts of the field of action by motor truck, and the motor that propels the vehicle drives the electric generator that supplies the current for the light.

Most of these field searchlights are not directed by hand, for each instrument is fitted with what is known as the distant control. Two small motors govern the vertical and the horizontal movements of the light. From them an electric cable runs to the station of the operator, who, although he may be several hundred feet away, can send the rays of the light in any direction he pleases.

According to the Navy and Army Illustrated, one advantage of this distant control is that the objects picked up by the beam of light can be sighted more quickly and more definitely, for if the operator stands behind the light and looks along the beam his vision is hampered by a luminous haze. A second advantage is that the light can be placed in an exposed position without endangering the men who run it. Were the operator and officer beside the apparatus they would be certain to receive the fire that is sure to be poured upon a searchlight and would suffer the instant the range was found.

VIRTUE OF AN APPLE.

At One Time the Fruit Was Called the "Food of the Gods."

The apple has become so familiar as the commonest of all fruits that its value as man's greatest friend in the vegetable kingdom may not be fully realized. It was called the "food of the gods" because it was believed to be the magic renewer of youth to which the gods resorted when they felt themselves growing old and feeble.

There have been many mystic traditions about the apple, which has been credited with varied potency. It is the healing fruit of the Arabian tales. Latin chronicles and institutes and early English poems contain many references to it. Scientific analysis of late years has justified all the ancient glorification of this fruit, which has been found to contain albumen, sugar, gum, malic acid, gallic acid, fiber, water and phosphorus.

Malic acid of apples neutralizes the excess of chalky matter caused by too much meat and thereby helps to keep us young. Apples are good for the complexion, as their acids drive out the noxious matters which cause skin eruptions. They are good for the brain, which those same noxious matters, if retained, render sluggish. The acids of the apple diminish the acidity of the stomach that comes with some forms of indigestion.

The phosphorus, of which apples contain a larger per cent than any other fruit or vegetable, renews the essential matter of the brain and spinal column.—Boston Herald.

Does Your Spine Shiver?

"A shivering spine," said a psychologist, "is the one infallible proof of an artistic temperament. Does a shiver run up and down your spine when you listen to beautiful music or read a lovely poem or look at a superb painting? If not the gates of art are closed to you forever. All great artists and all good critics experience this shivering sensation of the backbone before a worthy work of art. Some of these men use the shiver as a measure. The work that does not evoke it they pronounce a failure. My own spine shivers best to music. The violin solo that precedes the last act of Massenet's 'Thais' sets up in me a tremolo movement that wrinkles the back of my coat."—Exchange.

Napoleon as an Editor.

The Almanach de Gotha was already of sufficient importance over a century ago to prompt a dispatch from Napoleon. On Oct. 20, 1807, he wrote to Champagny, his foreign minister, complaining that "the latest edition of the Almanach de Gotha is full of errors, no account having been taken of the changes wrought by me in Germany. Tell the minister from Gotha to call on you and inform him that this must be set right in the forthcoming edition. Insist on seeing the section devoted to Germany before the edition is published."

One of Many.

"What kind of work could you possibly do around an office?"

"I'm a kind of 'all around handy man, mister. I kin hold a door open, light a match for ye, look out an' see if it's raining, call a taxi, drop letters down the chute an' tell folks yer out when ye ain't."—Life.

Speaking of Sponges.

"I see in the paper here that the largest sponge ever found is three feet across and ten feet in circumference."

"That's just about Uncle Squeezly's size, isn't it?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Couldn't Expect Him To.

Lady—I'm afraid you don't like work, my good man. Tramp—How kin I, mum? Work's wot killed my poor wife."—Boston Transcript.

Ominous.

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THERE will be general rejoicing if a way out of the Boston and Maine troubles can be found other than a receivership, and this now seems probable. It will be well for all concerned.

IF THERE is anyone who has an amount of loose change which they desire to invest they can probably be accommodated by Great Britain, whose war bill for the current year will be the tidy sum of ten billions of dollars. And that is only one of the countries involved.

WITH the decision of the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad directors to give up all frills and outside properties, and attend strictly to the business of transportation, there should be no reason why the property cannot be put on a dividend-paying basis again before long.

THERE are few of us who would—or could—mislay a little matter of \$200,000 and not notice it for 16 years, but State Auditor Cook at Boston has just discovered that this sum has been accumulating from land registration fees since 1898 with no provision for its use. It'll be a good plan to get it into circulation in some manner.

A NEW use for the airship, and one which seems perfectly feasible, has been found by the owner of a large Montana ranch of 75,000 acres, who proposes to inspect his farm and visit his employees in one. He expects to do in one day with a dirigible what it now takes a week to do with an auto.

AN EFFORT is to be made to arouse the third-party Prohibitionists, who have been steadily waning in numbers and enthusiasm for a number of years, and with the aid of the national organization to elect a Prohibition governor next fall. Did someone suggest something about the extreme remoteness of Tipperary?

So Gov. Walsh can be a candidate next fall "if he wishes to." If the Prohibitionists get the big vote which they are confident of securing, and if the race and religion issue comes to the front in the contest for the Republican nomination, as seems probable, it will be "Gov. Walsh" again in 1916.

A NEW method of fighting the liquor traffic was inaugurated in Worcester Monday night, when a moving picture dramatization of "John Barleycorn," the autobiography of Jack London's own life, was shown. The film measured a mile and a quarter in length, and is said to be realistic and instructive. It is shown under the direction of the Anti-Saloon League, and will be taken to various places throughout the state.

IT MIGHT be a good idea for Germany, before she annoys Uncle Sam to the limit, to take notice of the work of one of our navy marksmen, who with a 14-inch gun recently made eight straight hits shooting at a moving target 12 miles away. We did a little target work over in Manila bay a few years ago, and later in the season off the coast of Cuba, which showed up fairly well; and we've been practicing right along ever since.

THE possibility—it may almost be deemed a probability—of the United States being drawn into the European war in some way seems to loom large just now, with Germany's declaration that it is quite possible that neutral ships will be harmed by her in the new war zone which she established in English waters at midnight last night. Even now acts may have been committed which we cannot with self-respect allow to go unchallenged. It will all depend on Germany's future action regarding neutral ships of this country flying our flag. There are some 30 or 40 scheduled to be in that locality now or within a few days, and grave anxiety is felt over the outcome.

PERHAPS if we lived within the war zone, or in a country a part of one of the warring nations, we would see things differently, but it is difficult to read without smiling of the scare which the inhabitants of Brockville, Ont., indulged in Sunday night. A fleet of German aeroplanes passed over the city, coming from the states, and attempted to drop bombs on the inhabitants—at least that was what was sent out to the newspapers. Now it

turns out that the "fleet of aeroplanes" were two toy fire balloons sent up from Morristown, N. Y., in connection with the celebration of 100 years of peace between U.S. and Canada. How imagination will run riot at times!

PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Nice Dry Hard Wood, any length, delivered to order. Phone William C. Moulton, 129-2, Monson.

In Aid of the Unemployed.

Donation of \$200 From State. Men Cutting Brush at Roadside.

Notice was received the latter part of last week that Palmer's share of the \$50,000 which the state has appropriated to give work to the unemployed, was \$200. The provisions of the apportionment are that the money be used in cutting brush along the highways, in an effort to prevent, to some extent, the danger from forest fires next summer.

The money is to be expended by the forest fire wardens, and Chief Summers had had the authority in his possession only a few hours before he was besieged with applications for work. He is selecting men with families. The state pays 20 cents an hour for the work, but does not permit a man to work more than eight hours in a day. The sum allotted to Palmer would keep eight men at work for about three weeks, but no one lot of men will be given all the work, only a few days' employment being given to each. Mr. Summers is working eight men, and will make frequent shifts in his force. The work began Monday morning on the road from West Warren to Ware, where Palmer usually has to fight several fire fires during the summer season.

Improving Bridge Street Underpass.

The Boston and Albany railroad is making an effort to improve the obnoxious conditions which have for years prevailed with every hard rain or thaw on the Bridge street sidewalk leading to its station. Quantities of water have run down the track from the east and poured over the wall upon the sidewalk, rendering it impossible for pedestrians to pass at times. Now a large catchbasin is being installed just east of Bridge street, and the surface water will be conveyed down under the sidewalk and discharged into the roadway under the bridge.

Girls Are Warned.

Notices have recently been posted about town warning girls and young women against answering advertisements of positions in San Francisco during the fair there this summer. The warning is sent out by the women's clubs of California, the eastern sponsor for them being the Vermont Federation of Women's Clubs. If any girls or women contemplate seeking employment on the Pacific coast, they are advised to communicate with the Travelers' Aid Society of San Francisco.

Surprise Visit.

About 40 of the women friends of Mrs. Frank M. Foley of Palmer, Monson and Thorndike, paid her a surprise visit at her home on Knox street Tuesday evening, and presented her with a handsome French clock, a cut glass celery dish, and a large bouquet of roses, the presentation being made by Mrs. J. J. Burke. The evening was enjoyably spent with music and games, and refreshments were served.

Prof. Cheney of the Y. M. C. A. College of Springfield will give the address in the Second Congregational church next Sunday evening.

A meeting of the advisory committee of the Congregational church will be held this evening after the weekly prayer meeting.

The license commissioners have organized as follows: Chairman, Patrick H. Garvey; clerk, J. Clifford Shaw. It was voted to leave the license fees the same as last year.

Some 60 or 70 members of the local council of the Knights of Columbus went to Worcester Sunday to witness the working of the third degree on a large class. They took the special train which was run through from Springfield.

The announcement last week that the entertainment Tuesday evening was to be the last in the Lyceum course was an error. There is to be one more, the Dunbar Bell Ringers, in March.

Miss Beatrice Dennis of Foundry street entertained about twenty young friends Monday evening at her home in celebration of her birthday. Music and games were enjoyed, and refreshments were served.

In the District Court Monday morning Theodore Kronec and Martin Mauros were given 10 days each for vagrancy. Joseph Goinek of Fox street was sentenced to the house of correction for assault on his wife, but sentence was suspended until the first Monday in June.

The Palmer minister's club met Tuesday afternoon at the Hotel Burns, and the members had supper together in the evening. After supper the members gathered in the parlor and offered felicitations to Rev. Otto S. Raspe of St. Paul's Universalist church, who has accepted a call to Brunswick, Maine.

Relief Corps Entertainment.

Next Monday Evening. New Features Offered This Year.

Washington's Birthday will be celebrated by the Woman's Relief Corps this year in a new manner. For some years this organization has provided a public entertainment of some sort, generally a chicken-pie supper, on the evening of that holiday. The custom has become so well established that other organizations seldom offer any attraction on that date, it being left open for the Relief Corps, by common consent. For a variety of reasons the Corps has decided to offer a change of program this year, in the belief that it will prove more satisfying than a supper. The entire evening will be occupied by the various attractions.

In connection there will be a sale of useful and fancy articles, home-made candy, and ice cream. The sale will open in Memorial Hall in the afternoon and will continue during the evening. No admission fee will be charged during the afternoon. In the evening at 8.15 o'clock a four-act drama, entitled "Cranberry Corners," will be presented. It is a dramatic production of more than ordinary merit and the management has been fortunate in the selection of a cast. All the parts will be taken by local talent and every character is being portrayed in rehearsal in a manner which assures a satisfying presentation next Monday evening.

After the play there will be dancing. Good music has been engaged, and the order of dances will be by request. There will be a prompter in attendance, in case square and contra dances are desired. A novel and amusing feature of the evening will be a cherry tree, where George and Martha Washington will greet their friends. The cherries will bear numbers, and a number—which may be obtained for a small fee—will entitle the holder to a mystery package. With all these features there will be ample entertainment to suit every taste, and the Corps expects the same liberal patronage it has always enjoyed and for which its members are grateful.

Holbrook's New Block Plans.

Plans are being drawn by Bliss & Lavelle of Springfield for A. W. Holbrook's new block on the corner of Main and Bridge streets. There will be four stores and an entrance to the moving picture place on Main street, and three or four stores on Bridge street. The structure will extend six feet further out on Bridge street than the old building, which was not out to the street line. On the second floor, the tentative plans call for the town offices along the entire Bridge street side. At the back is to be a hall about 85 by 65 feet. A hallway will run parallel with Main street, and on the front of the building will be offices and business places.

Information Wanted.

Information is desired of a woman by the name of Sally Hitchcock, who was a resident of Palmer in 1864. Particularly is it wished to learn the date and place of her death; if any person has any knowledge of her, they are asked to leave it at this office.

Tockwotton Tribe of Red Men will meet in Odd Fellows' Hall next Tuesday evening.

The Entre Nous Whist Club will meet at the home of Mrs. L. J. Brainerd to-morrow evening.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold its regular meeting in Memorial Hall to-morrow night.

A regular meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club will be held to-morrow afternoon in Masonic Hall.

The Woman's Tuesday Club will meet next week with Mrs. W. C. Hitchcock on Knox street.

Revere Chapter, O. E. S., met last evening for regular business and several candidates were initiated.

Tuesday morning in the district court the case of Ernest Plummer of Thorndike for non support of his wife and child was continued until Saturday.

The Kamp Kumfort Kanoe Klub has elected the following officers: President, H. W. Rich; vice president, W. A. Clark; secretary, L. F. Moore; treasurer, E. D. Linnell. The club is planning to make extensive improvements on its club house at Forest Lake this spring and to build a swimming wharf.

It was reported the first of the week that the residence of Charles F. Grosvenor on North Main street, which is unoccupied during the winter, had been burglarized recently. Later the report was denied by the custodian of the property, the damage being limited to a broken window, evidently done carelessly with a stone.

The Hewha Campfire Girls met at the home of Miss Mollie Barton Monday evening. In spite of the weather all but three of the members were present. Miss Hill and Miss Healy of the Wing Memorial Hospital demonstrated various kinds of bandaging, and taught the girls so that before leaving they were all able to bandage well the head, a finger, the entire hand and the elbow, and to apply the tourniquet, and tell what to do in case of clothing on fire, frosted foot, and open cut. Vertene Marsan, Irene Marsan, and Luella Thayer served dainty refreshments.

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St. John - Goodreau.

William Goodreau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Goodreau of North Main street, Palmer, and Miss Rose St. John, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson St. John of the Shorely district, were united in marriage Tuesday morning at St. Anne's church, Three Rivers, Rev. Fr. Geoffroy, pastor, officiating at the nuptial mass. Miss Laura Coyer of Three Rivers was bridesmaid and Henry St. John, brother of the bride, was best man. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a large number of friends of the bride and groom. Immediately following the church ceremony a wedding breakfast was given the bridal party and invited guests at the bride's home on the Warren road. The couple were the recipients of many handsome wedding gifts. After a short wedding tour they will reside in town.

Old Folks' Concert Group.

A group picture of the Firemen's Old Folks' Concert Company, which gave such an enjoyable entertainment last week, will be found on page five of this paper. It was taken by flashlight by Woodhead after the performance. There were about 50 in the company, the soloists being "Nathan Obejoyful O'Connor," "Mehitable Monahan," "Simon Songster Donahue," "Tenor Robusto Taylor," "Cynthia" and "Jacob Hezekiah Wells" and "Caleb Cornstalk Jones." "Samantha Tenebful Cantwell" trained them and "beate ye time." The firemen realized a neat sum from their efforts.

Government to Help Find Positions.

Notices have been put up in the post office announcing that the United States government is anxious to do all it can to get the unemployed and those seeking employes, together. Blanks have been provided on which persons may give their names and addresses, and the kind of help they wish to hire. These are then forwarded to the proper department head at Washington, who will endeavor to fill the needs of each side as fast as possible.

Yesterday was Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

Mrs. W. D. Cameron is ill at her home on Thorndike street.

Mrs. Jennie M. Brown spent the last of the week with relatives in Meriden, Ct.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Burke of Oak street spent Sunday with friends in Worcester.

The schools and banks of the town will be closed next Monday, Washington's Birthday.

Miss Mary Learned of Main street was a guest over the week-end of friends in Norwich, Ct.

Mrs. L. E. Chandler of Squier street has been spending a part of the week with friends in Springfield.

The Knights of Malta will hold a regular meeting, with election of officers, next Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Duffy of South Main street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Monday.

The ladies of the Universalist church will hold a food sale to-morrow afternoon in Whitcomb & Faulkner's store from 3 to 5 o'clock.

W. W. Darby of Whitcomb & Faulkner's hardware store has been confined to his home on Park street this week with an attack of the grip.

The annual meeting of the Wing Memorial Hospital incorporators will be held in the reference room of the public library next Wednesday evening.

Programs of the seventh annual Farmers' Week of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst, March 15-19, have been prepared, and may be had on application to the college.

Extensive changes are being made in the interior of Whitcomb & Faulkner's hardware store on Main street. The office which has heretofore occupied a place at one side in the center of the store, has been moved to the rear, where an addition has been built expressly for it on the outside of the present building. The new arrangement will give a much lighter and more convenient office, and will afford a large amount of shelf and counter room in the store.

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February 22.
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February 23. "ZUDORA."
February 24. "MILLION DOLLAR MYSTERY"
February 25.
The Play, "The Shepherd of the Hills"
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Jack Knives, 10c to 25c
Chest Locks, 5c to 20c
P. S. & W. Pliers, 20c to 50c
Coe's Wrenches, 10c to 40c
Screw Drivers, 5c to 20c
Pruning Saws, 25c
Simonds' Saws, 25c to \$1
Ticket Punches, 10c
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Card.—To those who expressed their sympathy to us by words or deeds of kindness in our recent bereavement, we wish to express our heartfelt gratitude.

Michael T. Hurley.

John E. Hurley.

Palmer, February 16, 1915.

BORN.

At Wing Memorial Hospital, Palmer, 15th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. James F. Duffy of Palmer.

In Springfield, 16th, a son to Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Daley, and grandson to Mr. and Mrs. John Daley of Palmer.

MARRIED.

In Thorncliffe, 15th, by Rev. P. J. Griffin, Jeremiah Lamery and Grace Miller.

In Three Rivers, 16th, by Rev. F. G. Groffroy, William Goodreau and Rose St. John.

DIED.

In Monson, 13th, Mrs. Daniel A. Felton, 67.

In Brimfield, 14th, Mrs. Barbara Parker, 59, wife of Joseph B. Parker.

FOR SALE—Stock Hay. J. GOLD, Palmer.

FOR SALE—Horse and Cow Hay.

GOOD tenement to rent. Inquire of MISS W. W. CONVERSE, 81 Park Street, Palmer, Mass.

TENEMENTS TO RENT. G. E. BUCK, Palmer.

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WANTED—Hens, calves, and cows. Will pay good price. Notify by postal card. E. GOLDBERG, Three Rivers.

FOR SALE—Two Mammoth Bronze Gobblers. Inquire of Mr. R. B. BURLINGAME, R. F. D., No. 2, Palmer, Mass. Tel. 79-11.

LOST—My White Setter Dog, brown head, answers to name of Jack. No collar on. Please notify FRED R. BURLINGAME, R. F. D., No. 2, Palmer, Mass. Tel. 79-11.

WANTED—Stenography, bookkeeping, or general office work; 5 years' experience; best of references. Address: "STENOGRAPHY," Journal Office.

FOR SALE—Franklin Typewriter, in good running order; for sale at a bargain. Have no further use for same, is reason of selling. F. L. WHITCOMB, Palmer.

FOR SALE—My farm of 140 acres; 7-room house, orchard, 40 acres of timber 25 years' growth, running water in house and barn. M. J. SULLIVAN, Thorncliffe.

BIRCH WOOD FOR SALE—Good quality, full measure, and a reasonable price. Order your summer supply now, to be delivered in February or March. F. L. WHITCOMB, R. F. D., No. 3, Palmer. Phone 123-2.

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THE SALVATION ARMY.—Our team is in Palmer and district collecting Old Paper, Magazines, Clothes, Rags, Shoes, Furniture, etc. A postal card or phone will bring the team to your door. Phone 209-2. Our address, 32 PLEASANT STREET.

WANTED—Horse, suitable for farm work. Must be fairly good driver, and weigh from 1150 to 1250 lbs. Address, giving full description, price, etc. HORSE, Journal Office.

WING MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Wing Memorial Hospital Association will be held Wednesday, February 24, 1915, at 8 p. m., in the Reference Room of the Library Building, for the election of officers and the transaction of any business that may legally come before the meeting. All members are requested to be present.

The Annual Meeting of the Trustees and Advisory Board will be held immediately upon the close of the Association Meeting in same room.

CLIFFORD H. HOBSON, Secretary, Palmer, Mass., Feb. 16, 1915.

Defining a Gentleman.

The true gentleman is the man whose conduct proceeds from good will and an acute sense of propriety and whose self control is equal to all emergencies; who does not make the poor man conscious of his poverty, the obscure man of his obscurity or any man of his inferiority or deformity; who is himself humbled if necessity compels him to humble another; who does not flatter wealth, cringe before power or boast of his own possessions or achievements; who speaks with frankness, but always with sincerity and sympathy, and whose deed follows his word; who thinks of the rights and feelings of others rather than of his own; who appears well in any company and who is at home what he seems to be abroad—a man with whom honor is sacred and virtue safe.—Dr. Wayland.

The Gatling Gun.

Richard Jordan Gatling, the inventor of the gun bearing his name, was a native of Hertford county, N. C., where he was born in 1818. The Gatling gun was not used to any extent during the war between the states, a dozen or so being employed by Butler on the James river. The invention was not made fairly practical until 1865, when the gun was adopted into the United States service.

Antiquity of the Giant Sequoias.

Compared with the giant sequoias every other living thing in the world is a creature of today, and there are only a few evidences of man's handiwork still in existence—some of the ruins of ancient Greece and Assyria—that were constructed at an earlier date.

Notes Not Elaborate.

The bishop of St. Albans wrote that on a certain occasion he heard Bishop Wilberforce describe with such singular eloquence and power the effect on the soul of the clearing away of intellectual doubts that he begged to be shown the manuscript from which his friend had been preaching, as he wished to copy certain portions of the sermon.

Wilberforce handed him the document, turned to the page which contained the passage spoken of by the bishop and showed him a sheet of paper inscribed with the single word—fog.

Among the Elite.

"Then they never have a family jar?" "They occasionally have what might be termed a family jardiniere. As aristocratic people, they only quarrel in a very refined way."—Kansas City Journal.



Singers Participating in the Firemen's Old Folks Concert.

PALMER NEWS.

"Prayer Upsets Dry Town."

Interesting Item Concerning a Former Palmer Clergyman.

Under the caption quoted above, the New York Sun of Monday printed the following, which will be interesting to the many residents of Palmer who knew Mr. Moulton when he was pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church here: FORT PLAIN, N. Y., Feb. 14.—The Rev. Herbert Frank Moulton of Boston delivered a sermon at the Universalist Church this morning as a candidate for selection as pastor. His congregation was just sitting up again after a short prayer which followed the sermon when a well dressed stranger walked up to the pulpit and drawing a half pint flask from his pocket presented it to the minister with the remark that he was through with whiskey forever. Mr. Moulton shook hands with him and the stranger returned to his seat. A new minister is an event in Fort Plain and there was a large congregation. The women were plainly moved by the demonstration of the preacher's power and many of the men looked nervous. This town is supposed to be dry on Sunday.

Business Club's Special Meeting.

A special meeting of the Palmer Business and Social Club was held Tuesday evening, the principal object of which was to consider a proposed exchange of two rooms on the front of the building for one large room adjoining the billiard room, and the removal of the partition between them. As the sentiment of the club seemed to be unanimous against giving up the front rooms, nothing was done in the matter. A committee was appointed however to consider the acquiring of more room whenever opportunity is presented. An active campaign is to be made to increase the club's membership, in the belief that with increased numbers both the club and the new members will be benefited and the club made a stronger organization in the town.

Electric Employees Hold Social.

The employees of the Central Massachusetts Electric Company enjoyed a social in the recently-built addition to the office on Main street, Monday evening. A victrola furnished music for dancing, and there were other amusements. The upper part of the addition is to be used for office purposes by the company, while the lower floor will be made into a club room for the company's employees. Papers and magazines will be provided, and it is possible that a piano may be installed.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Tipper are spending a few days in New York city.

Miss Thora Johnson has returned to her home in Palmer Center after spending a week with friends in Newport, R. I.

An English assembly of the high school will be held next Wednesday afternoon in Memorial Hall, and the public is invited to attend.

Rev. Abram Conklin of Monson will occupy the pulpit of the Universalist church Sunday morning. Rev. Mr. Raspe will preach in Monson.

A party of young married couples were entertained at the home of Mr. T. J. Tipper on the Monson road last Friday evening in honor of his birthday.

A deed was filed in Springfield yesterday conveying the "Lawrence Block" property on Main street in Palmer to Thomas J. Chalk, the consideration named being \$7000.

The committee in charge of the collection of newspapers by members of the Congregational society, announce that the papers will be collected by team next Tuesday, and ask all who have an accumulation to have them ready for the collector.

William E. McGrath, a dispatcher in the office of the street railway company, was taken suddenly with appendicitis while on his way to work Tuesday afternoon. He was taken to the House of Providence Hospital in Holyoke and operated on that evening. This morning he was reported as doing finely.

The regular meeting of the Woman's Tuesday Club was omitted on Tuesday, the members going instead to Springfield, where they visited the Gill and Miller art exhibitions, and dined together at the Forbes & Wallace restaurant. Later in the day the

members were entertained at tea by Mrs. J. B. Shaw, a former member of the club, at her home, 133 Sherman street, this proving not the least pleasing part of the day's program.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy Scouts met in the Congregational church Tuesday evening. Two new members were admitted, Herbert Lyon and William Chamberlin. The boys spent the evening in wrestling, boxing and visiting. They plan to hike to Steeple Rock next Saturday.

Owing to the bad weather there was a small attendance at the opening meeting of the Music Students' Club, held with Mrs. S. R. Carsey of North Main street Monday evening, but plans were discussed and made for an interesting series of meetings, which will be held every two weeks. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Lucy Flynt of Central street, Monday evening, March 1. The committee in charge will be Mrs. B. J. Whittemore, chairman.

Palmer Grange will hold a regular meeting on Friday evening of next week, with this program: Current events, D. L. Bodfish; discussion—"Which is the more serviceable to a farmer, practical knowledge gained by experience or that knowledge gained from agricultural books and papers?" experience, R. S. Stebbins, books, E. G. Laboutelly; reading, Mrs. F. D. Rogers; recitation, Mrs. J. T. Geer; song, Grange.

Ancestry of the Hen.

Darwin believed that our domestic fowls are descended from the jungle fowls of India. As other authorities have sometimes disputed his view, the statement of Charles William Beebe, curator of ornithology at the New York zoological park, is especially interesting: "After studying all four species of feral Gallus in their native haunts as well as many examples of natural and artificial hybridizing and reviewing the evidence from all points of view I can find no reason to attribute the ancestry of all varieties of our domestic fowls to other than the red jungle fowl of India."

Inquisitive.

"Yes, Henry writes very good letters from college. They show a strong thirst for knowledge. He never writes without asking for information." "That's fine. What does he ask?" "He always asks, 'When are you going to send me some more money?'"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

All the Same.

The "horny handed" calls what he lives on "pay," the skilled mechanic "wages," the city clerk "salary," the banker "income," a landowner "rent roll," a lawyer "fees," a burglar "swag," but it all comes to the same in the end.—London Scraps.

To Avoid Worry.

If you would avoid worry train yourself to be methodical and to act up to the good old maxim of never putting off till tomorrow what can be done today.

Their Glee.

"He boasts that he came of a fine old family." "Yes, and how they must have laughed when he left!"—Judge.

Precaution is better than repentance.—Greek Proverb.

A Tongue Twister.

Do you read by sight or sound? Do you skim the sense or pronounce the words as you go? Inaudibly, but consciously? There are many readers who read by the ear, and when this writer had written the sentence about Wick (there was an election there)—"Wick is rich in Pictish relics"—he leaned back and tried to whisper it, thinking of the next. "Wick is rich in Pictish relics." Say it three times quickly.—London Mail.

Old Newspapers.

Old newspapers form the basis of most of the boxes in which goods are kept in the furnishings stores. When ground into pulp and treated with certain chemicals they furnish an ideal material for the pasteboard used in the cheapest as well as the more expensive grades of boxes.—Argonaut.

Truth or Fiction? "Ah, what a difference there is," remarked the cynic wearily, "between courtship and marriage! Courtship is made up of soft nothings—marriage of hard facts."

And he broke the world's record for a sigh.—New York Times.

Luxurious Military Aeroplanes.

The German arrow type of flying machine can compare with nothing so much as an automobile de luxe, says an English journal. It has the strength, the perfection, the reliability, the safety of a superb motorcar. And it has the luxury. On the dashboard before the pilot, in addition to his control gears, there is a nest of drawers containing, among other things, a vacuum flask, chocolate cubes wrapped against the damp in tin foil, a small bottle of brandy in case the aviator should become faint, a petrol sponge for wiping the goggles, a revolver holder, a dispatch case with sharpened pencils of different colors, so that the dispositions of the enemy's troops can be more adequately marked, a map board and maps. Moreover, the exhaust pipe of the engine passes under the floor boards, so that the pilot, who must constantly keep his feet at an angle on the pedals, may have them warmed throughout the flight. The flier, too, sits in a comfortably upholstered club chair.

First Balloon Ascension in America.

The first balloon ascension in America took place in Philadelphia on Jan. 9, 1793. The aeronaut was a Frenchman named Blanchard. He secured the yard of the Walnut street prison as the place from which to make the ascent. Among the many distinguished persons present was George Washington, then president of the United States. The start was made 10:05 o'clock, and as the balloon began to ascend the aeronaut waved the United States flag and the tricolor of France. The voyage lasted forty-six minutes, during which the balloon traveled fifteen miles, descending a little to the eastward of Cooper's Ferry, N. J. Blanchard returned to the city about 6:30 in the evening, and immediately paid his respects to President Washington. Following this ascension, during the year he made a number of others, but owing to lack of public support and insufficient funds of his own, he returned to France sadly disappointed at his success in America.—Philadelphia Press.

A Knight of the Garter.

A knight of the Garter dressed in the regalia is an imposing sight. He wears a blue velvet mantle with a star embroidered on the left breast. His trunk hose, stockings and shoes are white, his hood and surcoat crimson. The garter, of dark blue velvet edged with gold and bearing the motto "Honi soit qui mal y pense" ("Evil to him who evil thinks"), also in gold, is buckled about the left leg below the knee. The heavy golden collar consists of twenty-six pieces, each in the form of a garter, bearing the motto, and from it hangs the "St. George," a badge which represents St. George on horseback encountering the dragon. The "lesser George" is a smaller badge attached to a blue ribbon worn over the left shoulder. The star of the order consists of eight points, within which is the cross of St. George, encircled by the garter.

Poor Gas.

Some men were riding in the smoker end of a Pullman car recently when one of them referred in a rather uncomplimentary way to the gas supply that was dished up in his home town.

"Yours may be bad enough," reflectively commented a party named Jones, "but I want to say right here that we have the worst gas of any town in the United States."

"That is saying a whole lot," returned the first speaker. "Do you really mean it?"

"You just bet a hundred that I mean it!" was the vigorous rejoinder of Jones. "Every morning when we go to cook breakfast we have to pour kerosene on the gas to start the fire in the gas stove."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Badly Expressed.

Mabel—I don't believe you really meant it when you said you were anxious to hear me sing. Sam—Oh, I assure you I did! You see, I had never heard you sing before.—London Telegraph.

High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

A new blackboard has been placed in the drawing room.

Miss Wyman, and Marion Andrews, '14, spent last Sunday at Mount Holyoke College.

The Seniors held a food sale to-day at recess for the benefit of the Washington trip fund.

Miss Dorothy Bushnell of Thompsonville, Ct., was a guest of Ellen Sayles, '15, for the latter half of last week.

At a meeting of the Athletic Association Tuesday morning Odna Paine was elected manager for the girls' basketball team.

Marion Davis, '15, will be unable to attend school any more this term, as she is suffering from chronic appendicitis.

Twelve members of the school have subscribed to "Current Events" for the rest of the year, and more are thinking of doing likewise.

At a class meeting Tuesday morning the Seniors voted to present Mr. Kiley with a five-dollar gold piece, in appreciation of his work in coaching the actors in the Senior play.

The boys have resumed basketball practice after omitting it for a week on account of the Senior play. They practiced Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in Union Hall.

The girls resumed basketball practice Monday afternoon in Cerele Canadian Hall, Three Rivers. They also practiced yesterday. A large number attended each practice.

Last Friday the two music classes were combined and the period was devoted to patriotic exercises. Patriotic selections were sung by the school and recitations were rendered by Misses Kempton, Lindquist and Jones.

Several members of the Junior class are going to Springfield Sunday afternoon to hear Mary Anton lecture, whose "Promised Land" they have read in part this year in school. A few members of other classes also intend to go.

The material for the March issue of "The Palmer" has all been collected and is being prepared for the printers. The issue promises to be especially interesting and attractive. The paper is selling very well this year, the demand for the last issue greatly exceeding the supply.

The boys' basketball team, consisting of Harold Albro '15, Wilfred Lyon '15, Edwin Keefe '15, Noel Monat '17, Lawrence Martin P. G., Wesley Magee '15, Robert Cole P. G. manager, and Mr. Kiley, coach, had their pictures taken for "The Palmer" last Friday afternoon at Woodheads' studio.

The Seniors made over \$175 on their play last Thursday evening, of which \$23.75 was realized from the sale of candy. The class feels very grateful to all who by their loyal support and generous contributions made such a result possible. The money will be used to help defray the expenses of the Washington trip.

Through the kindness of the Palmer Woman's Club the High School pupils will be able to listen to Miss Avery's talk on current events to-morrow afternoon at 8 o'clock in Masonic Hall. Miss Avery is widely known for her interesting talks, and the pupils greatly appreciate the opportunity of hearing her.

The president of the Forum has made the following appointments: For a school debate to be held the afternoon of March 12th, Dorothy Buck '15 and Ralph Warriner '16, versus Alice Smith '16 and William Monroe P. G. For the first public debate, to be held during the week of March 21, Rose Riddle '15 and John Healy '15, versus Helen Newbury '16 and Myrtle McVicker '16.

There will be a basketball game to-morrow evening between the Smith Aggie quintet of Northampton and Palmer High at Union Hall, Thorncliffe, at 8 o'clock. Palmer's closest game of the season was with the Smith Aggies a few weeks ago, and a good contest to-morrow evening is guaranteed. There will probably be a preliminary.

Catherine Collins '15, May Wallace '18, Ellen Sayles '15, Mary Sullivan P. J., Dorothy Buck '15, Alice Smith '16, Rose Riddle '15, Louise Miller '18, Edythe Tuiss '15, sat for the picture of the girls' basketball team in Woodhead's studio Tuesday afternoon. The manager, Odna Paine '16, was included in the group.

The High School pupils and the public are urged to attend the February monthly assembly, to be held in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The committee has taken great pains to prepare one of the most interesting and attractive programs of the year, consisting of musical selections, original speeches, recitations, and a short play by Sophomores. On the whole, the entertainment will be of a patriotic character.

Henry Johnson, special student, has nearly completed the text book of instruction published by the Wales Adding Machine Co., which includes such work on the adding machine as addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, consecutive numbering, continuous decimals, decimal fractions, extending invoices, figuring discounts, manipulating keys, controlling keyboard, etc. He is the first student who has advanced so far on this machine.

Miss Wyman gave a brief talk to the Seniors last Friday morning in regard to the National Reading Circle and the Independent Prize Essay contest. Both of these have been described in previous issues of this paper. Several have already joined the reading circle, and more are planning to do so. To compete in the prize essay contest, ten pupils in the school must enter before anyone is eligible for a prize. So far only seven have volunteered, and last Friday the pupils were urged not to let such an opportunity slip by.

WALES.

Mrs. Amy A. Hiscock is quite ill as the result of a fall in her home.

Miss Florence Sherman of Monson is visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur F. Hitchcock.

A party of girls enjoyed a candy pull at the home of Miss Elsie Stebbins on Friday evening.

Mrs. W. E. Needham, after an illness of several weeks, has gone to the home of her son, Frank Taylor in Springfield, for care and further medical treatment.

George A. Needham returned to Brooklyn, N. Y., this week after spending several weeks at his country home here. On Saturday evening he entertained thirty-five friends at a stag party at the Lake George Social Club's pavilion.

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THORNDIKE. Miller-Lamery.

A very pretty wedding took place in St. Mary's church Monday morning, when Miss Grace Miller and Jeremiah Lamery, both well-known young people of the village, were united in marriage by the pastor, Rev. P. J. Griffin. The bridesmaid was Miss Mae Miller of Springfield, a sister of the bride, and the best man was George Gebro. Following the ceremony at the church a wedding breakfast was served at the home of Miss Katherine Loftus, aunt of the bride. Following a short wedding tour to the home of the groom's parents near Norwich, Ct., the couple will reside here. The married pair were the recipients of many wedding gifts. They have the best wishes of a large circle of friends. The groom is well known in athletic circles, having been a member of the Thorndike baseball team for several seasons, besides a well-known vocalist. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller.

Funeral of Mrs. Honora Crimmins.

The funeral of Mrs. Honora Crimmins took place from St. Mary's church Friday morning with a mass of requiem, Rev. P. J. Griffin, pastor, being celebrant. The attendance was unusually large, many being in attendance from the villages of the town and outside cities. Miss May Moynahan sang two selections, "Beautiful Land on High" and "Face to Face." The bearers were Daniel Crimmins of Spencer, John Sexton of Worcester, Maurice Healey of Thorndike, James Whalen of Northampton and Dr. John F. Roche of Palmer. Burial was in St. Thomas' cemetery.

Will Celebrate First Mass.

Next Sunday at 10 a. m. at St. Mary's church Edward B. Daly, a Thorndike boy and former altar boy, will celebrate his first solemn high mass. The ordination will take place in St. Francis chapel, Loretta, Pa., by the Rt. Rev. Eugene A. Garvey, D. D., on Friday morning. There is sure to be a large number of friends and acquaintances at St. Mary's on Sunday to witness the ceremony.

Miss Mildred Loftus visited Sunday with friends in Worcester.

James O'Keefe of Holyoke, who is ill at the home of his parents, is convalescing.

Mrs. D. P. Kane of Newport, Ct., was a guest of Miss Mildred Loftus during the week.

Mrs. Orrin Ives and daughter Bessie of the West are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Trumble.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Connor of New York have been calling on friends here during the past week.

The Misses Fleming have been in New York for the past few days attending the millinery openings.

Mrs. M. A. Orsey of Chester, Pa., is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John O'Keefe of Pine avenue.

Almond Pasco and daughter, Mrs. Beebe, of Longmeadow, were guests of Mrs. Mary Thayer on Sunday.

Joseph Barrett has severed his connection with the Thorndike Company and has gone to Warren, R. I., to live.

Mr. and Mrs. John Keeley of Pawtucket, R. I., have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Sullivan during the past week.

The home of Thomas Bogacz on Main street has been under quarantine for several days on account of illness in the family.

Several Thorndike members of Palmer Council, K. of C., went to Worcester Sunday to attend the working of the third degree.

Mrs. A. N. Fisher and children of Boston have returned to their home after passing a few days here as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Miller.

The turkey supper given Wednesday last week by the ladies of the Congregational church was largely attended and much enjoyed.

Miss Marguerite Sullivan of Holyoke and Miss Mary Heffernan of Ware were guests during the past week at the home of Daniel J. Sullivan of School street.

A large number went to Ware Tuesday to see the game between the Thorndike and Ware basketball teams. A social dance followed, which was well attended.

Rev. J. E. Enman will take for his subject Sunday morning, "Impending Blessings," and in the evening, "Jonathan Edwards, the Prince of America's Theological Thinkers." Sunday school will meet at noon.

Yesterday being Ash Wednesday, services were held in St. Mary's church at 7.30 in the morning and at 7.30 in the evening, at which time the distribution of the ashes took place, followed by benediction of the blessed sacrament, and sermon.

The Moose social at Union Hall Friday evening was largely attended and thoroughly enjoyed by all present. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served. The dance program contained many of the old-

time dances, which were enjoyed to a great extent. Napoleon Comfort of Palmer called the changes.

THREE RIVERS.

Henry Maney of Main street is visiting relatives in Wauregan, Ct.

Alphonse Henrichon of Maple street has purchased a Buick touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Spillaine entertained out-of-town relatives Sunday.

C. W. Darling has completed storing ice in his icehouse on Springfield street.

The District Nurse Association held a food sale in H. A. Shaw's store Friday afternoon.

A few from the place attended the Elks ball in Springfield last Thursday evening.

Mrs. H. A. Shaw of Main street was the Sunday guest of relatives in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fredette were the week-end guests of relatives in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. George Camerlin of Phoenix, R. I., are visiting relatives in this village.

H. A. Chalifoux is out with a new Dodge car, and has secured the local agency for the same.

The Ladies' Aid held their usual meeting Wednesday afternoon in Recreation Hall.

The Union church Sunday school enjoyed a sleighride to Belchertown the last of the week.

Andrew Fifer and H. Rice went to Fort Slocom Tuesday, where they are to join the U. S. army.

Peter Manzer returned from a visit with his brother in Pembroke, N. H., the last of the week.

Dr. C. H. Giroux has returned from Canada, where he was called by the illness of a relative.

John Zuhoeck has enlisted in the United States infantry and left for Fort Slocom Tuesday.

A whist party was held Tuesday evening in Cercle Canadien Hall for the benefit of the society.

A few in this village attended the concert given by John McCormack in Springfield Friday evening.

Thomas Brown of the Belchertown road and Minnie Dunlap were married last Saturday in Springfield.

Miss Mary Smith of Springfield was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Birse of Springfield street.

Neil Hurley of Worcester visited at the home of Mrs. John F. Twiss of Bourne street the last of the week.

P. Forte of Springfield, formerly of this place visited his brother, E. Forte, at his home on High street Sunday.

Miss Nellie Fogarty of Amherst was the week-end guest of her mother, Mrs. Daniel Fogarty of Bourne street.

No meeting of the night schools was held Wednesday evening because of church services, it being Ash Wednesday.

George Camerlin has sold his interest in a hotel in Phoenix, R. I., to his brother, Fred, with whom he has been in partnership.

A demonstration of La Touraine coffee has been held this week by Quimby of Boston at the Three Rivers Co-operative store.

Charles Freak, who has been receiving treatment at the Mercy hospital in Springfield, is improving rapidly and is expected home Saturday.

A large number of members of Palmer council, K. of C., from this village attended the working of the third degree in Worcester Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Henrichon have returned from their wedding trip and will reside with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Henrichon, on the Belchertown road.

Misses Louise Miller and Rose Riddle took part in the Senior play last Thursday evening in the opera house in Palmer. Both took their parts admirably.

Abraham Swain has returned from the Hampden hospital in Springfield, where his thumb was amputated after an accident while at work in the Palmer Mill.

Stanley Jorezak of Thorndike substituted in the night school last Wednesday evening in the absence of Principal Hurley. Mr. Hurley was absent on account of his brother's death.

The Canadian Cercle held a whist party in their hall Tuesday evening. The first prize for the men was won by Victor Chabot, the second prize going to T. Paulin Jr.; the first prize for the ladies was won by Miss Geneva Rogers. The proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the basketball team.

The girl's basketball team of the high school held their weekly practice in Cercle Canadien Hall Monday afternoon. The members of the first team were chosen as follows: Rose Riddle, Edythe Twiss, Louise Miller, Dorothy Buck, Katherine Collins, Ellen Sayles, Alice Smith, May Wallace, Mary Sullivan.

The program at the Idle Hour theatre this week will be: Thursday, the 19th episode of the "Perils of Pauline," "The Trey o' Hearts," and one reel of comedy. Saturday, "Our Mutual Girl" in two reels, the first

episode of the "Exploits of Elaine," and one reel of comedy. A photograph of Miss Pearl White will be given to each person paying admission Saturday evening.

BONDSVILLE.

Harry Goodrick of Hartford was a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Amidee Handfield returned Sunday from a visit with his sister in Haydenville.

John Kos has sold his farm on the outskirts of this village to Michael Pechota.

George A. Moulton Sr. has returned from a visit with his son George in Nashua, N. H.

William Albro of Springfield spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

The schools will be closed next Monday for the observance of Washington's Birthday.

Miss Nellie Sullivan of Des Moines, Iowa, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sullivan.

At the Methodist church Sunday morning, Rev. T. C. Martin will take for his subject, "Church Federation," which question is much talked over at this time in the villages. The other services of the day will be the same as usual.

Aubrey Vaughn Jr. of Sturbridge is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Banister.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Banister were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Vaughn in Sturbridge.

Mrs. George Gunn and two children spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Henry Wentworth of Amherst.

Martin Fitzgerald of New York city was a guest over Sunday of his mother, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald.

Miss Luella Thayer of Thorndike was a guest Saturday of the Misses Irene and Vertene Marsan.

Mrs. Samuel Beauregard and daughter Catherine spent Sunday as guests of her sister, Mrs. Albert Fenton in Three Rivers.

The B. B. Club met recently with Miss Edna Monat instead of Miss Edna Roberts, as it appeared in last week's Journal.

Miss Mary Murphy, a nurse in the Boston City Hospital, has been a guest this week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy.

The Ladies' Aid Society met Wednesday with Mrs. Charles Collis. The next meeting will be in two weeks in the M. E. church vestry.

A. Leslie Banister and Earl Fowler of the Y. M. C. A. College, Springfield, were guests Sunday of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banister.

At the Sunday morning service of the Methodist church the pastor, Rev. T. C. Martin, used the printed exercises of the Freedman's Aid Society in honor of Lincoln Day.

Mrs. Mary Finley and son, John Finley of Hudson, N. Y., returned to their home Monday after a visit with her mother, Mrs. Catherine McCarthy, and her sister, Mrs. Michael Collins.

J. Lawrence Martin entertained a party of young people from this village at the parsonage Friday evening. Various games were played, after which music and light refreshments were enjoyed.

At the meeting of the Four Leaf Clover Club Tuesday, the ministers decided to observe the four Sundays in March as "Go to church Sunday."

The idea of one Sunday each for young people, men, women, and children will be followed out in the M. E. church here.

A meeting of the Sunday school board of the M. E. church was held Tuesday evening at the home of Miss Alice Banister. At the next meeting, which will be held the second Thursday in March with Miss Myrtle McVickar, the pastor is to invite some influential worker in the Sunday school from elsewhere to address the officers and give them suggestions.

The Lenten services began Wednesday morning at St. Bartholomew's church with the blessing and distributing of the ashes at 7.30. In the evening at 7.30 there was another distribution of the ashes. Every Tuesday evening during Lent there will be a special sermon, and beginning tomorrow evening there will be services of the Way of the Cross every Friday evening, with benediction.

The annual supper of "Ye Olde Boys" will be served in the M. E. church to-morrow evening. F. E. Albro will have charge of the dining room, and A. M. Billings of the kitchen. The following will have charge of the tables: George A. Moulton, George A. Quinn, William H. Morse, Charles H. Banister, Charles D. Holden, Charles H. Sharatt. After the supper there will be an entertainment, with this program:

Philo Selection. Harry Castledine Chorus. "When You Were a Tulip and I Were a Red Rose."

Banjo solo. Mr. C. D. Holden. Quartette. Four Olde Boys. Address. Speaker to be announced. Banjo solo. Mr. Gale Chorus. "Tipperary." Ye Olde Boys. One verse of "America."

A BABEL OF TONGUES.

The World's Languages Now and What May Be in the Future.

How many men, if asked how many languages there are in the world, could give anything like an accurate answer? The average man's knowledge or ability to speak languages rarely exceeds two besides his native tongue. It may appear strange, but it is nevertheless true, that there are over 4,000 languages spoken by mankind, while the number of dialects exceeds this. There are more than sixty vocabularies in Brazil, and in Mexico the Nahuatl is broken up into some 700 dialects. There are hundreds in Borneo, and in Australia there is no classifying the complexities. Let us assume that fifty dialects, on an average, belong to each language and we have the colossal total of 200,000 linguistic abilities.

A century hence the probability is that there will only be four languages of importance in the world. Central Europe may produce a newer and more straightforward German language. Imperial English may reign alone over the North American continent, while a more businesslike Spanish will be used in South American states. Then Russia may take on some more rich Slavonic dialect, which will blend the races of eastern Europe and central Asia into a harmonious federation. So that in future these four languages will enter into what may be a never ending competition.—Exchange.

ERRORS OF SCULPTORS.

Statues in England Noted For Crude Blunders in Modeling.

Some of the statues in public places in England are notable for certain unique symbols or glaring errors in modeling. One of the former kind is the statue of Sir Anthony Ashley at Wimborne, Dorset. Carved out of a stone at the feet of the figure is a faithful representation of a cabbage, indicating that Sir Anthony introduced the vegetable from Holland into England.

Even more peculiar is the carving on one of the four panels on the Queen Victoria statue in George square, Glasgow. The subject is the knight of James Anderson, the lord provost of that city. As no sword was available the ceremony was performed with an umbrella, and the substitute has been copied by the sculptor. This same statue is incorrect in one important detail. The stately pose of the horse is negated by the position of the hind legs—a position which is only possible when a horse is racing at full speed.

Perhaps the worst equestrian statue in the world is that erected in front of Trinity college, Dublin, to the memory of King William III. Among other faults, one of the forelegs of the horse is straight and the other curved considerably, yet both hoofs meet side by side on the pedestal.—London Spare Moments.

Our Longest Canal.

The longest canal in the United States is the Erie canal, which covers a distance of 387 miles. The Florida East Coast canal is 350 miles long and runs from Mayport, Fla., to Miami. The Miami and Erie canal, between Cincinnati and Toledo, O., is 274 miles long. There are three canals in Pennsylvania, the Schuylkill Navigation company, between Mill Creek and Philadelphia, 108 miles; the Pennsylvania, between Columbia, Northumberland and Wilkesbarre, 193 miles, and the Lehigh Canal and Navigation company, between Coalport and Easton, 108 miles long. The longest canal in Europe is the Berlin-Stettin, 120, and the next longest, the Suez, 103 miles.—Philadelphia Press.

Beauty of Zambezi Falls.

To realize fully the wondrous beauty of the Zambezi falls, Rhodesia, one must have time to linger and watch the ever changing scene. The depths of the chasm below are veiled from sight by the rising columns of opalescent mist, and above the yawning abyss the sun glints and sparkles, weaving the drops into a magnificent rainbow. Three hundred feet below roars and boils the swirling flood as it emerges from the Boiling Pot, rushing on down the zigzag gorge between towering cliffs of rock, narrow, fierce and of unfathomable depth.—African World.

She Was Frank.

The moving picture director was having trouble in getting one of the scenes right. The girl was supposed to resist an attempt to kiss her, but the rehearsal was far from satisfactory. "Think, now," said the director, coaching her, "haven't you ever tried to stop a young man from kissing you?" "No," was the girl's frank reply.—London Answers.

Modern Superciliousness.

"My ancestors came over in the Mayflower." "Yes?" rejoined Mrs. Cumrox. "I understand that the fare was really quite low. But, gracious me, the boat must have been terribly overcrowded."—Washington Star.

Fairly Warned.

Cholly—Before I met you I thought of nothing but making money. Ethel—Well, keep right on! Pop ain't so rich as folks think!—Dallas News.

A Matter of Taste.

The Woman—I'd rather live on bread and water than on charity. The Tramp—Yes, mum; there's no accountin' fer taste.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Luck counts once in awhile; brains count all the time.—W. H. Lough.

Help thy self, and God will help thee.

PICKING A PICKPOCKET.

Rules That Guide Chicago Detectives in Spotting Their Man.

How to tell a pickpocket when you see one—the feat is apparently not difficult, for all applicants who take the civil service examination to become Chicago detectives are required to have mastered it.

"What are the physical characteristics of pickpockets?" the would-be thief catchers are asked.

And this is the answer they are expected to give:

"Pickpockets ordinarily travel in mobs and are of two distinct types—one small or medium stature, the other tall and muscular. As a general rule, the age runs from eighteen to thirty-five. Their hands are soft, show no signs of work, and the fingers of all except the 'stall' and particularly the fingers of the 'wire' are long and slender. Their eyes are shifting and furtive. Their complexion is generally sallow and without distinct color, this being due either to prison pallor in types or to the use of cocaine or other drugs. The cocaine users show drawn features and prominent cheek bones and usually have distinct rings around the eyes.

"The temperament of pickpockets is high strung because of the dangers of the 'profession' or from the use of drugs. At the same time they are polite almost to the point of obsequiousness. They seldom carry weapons and rarely resort to force. On duty they dress to suit the occasion, generally well, but not conspicuously. They avoid wearing anything that might lead to identification."—Baltimore American.

OUR FIRST ELECTION.

Methods in the Days When Washington Was Chosen President.

At the first national election at which General Washington was chosen president only eleven of the thirteen states voted, North Carolina and Rhode Island not yet having entered the Union, and in only three—Pennsylvania, Maryland and Virginia—were popular elections held. In the other eight states the legislatures chose the electors. New York did not choose electors because of a feud between the anti-Federalist house and the Federalist senate.

One exciting incident was caused by the fear on the part of Alexander Hamilton that John Adams, who was on the ticket for vice president with Washington, was plotting to tie the vote, and thus by throwing the election into the national house of representatives defeat the Father of His Country for president. So real was this fear in Hamilton that he dispatched messengers on horses to Virginia, Connecticut and New Jersey to stampede the legislatures of the latter two states to Washington.

So long did it take to gather news that Washington was actually inaugurated president before some of the remote counties in Virginia had sent in their returns. In this first election there was only one ticket and there was no campaigning. There were only about 3,000,000 inhabitants in the country at that time, and the whole cost of setting up the machinery of this presidential election is estimated at less than \$100,000.—Pittsburgh Dispatch.

The Spinster's Hint.

A maiden well advanced in years used to wait every morning for the postman, a bachelor of about her age, and ask him if there were not a letter for her. Several weeks passed thus, but the anxiously expected letter did not arrive. Finally one morning the postman said to her:

"Well, tomorrow you shall get your letter if I have to write it myself."

"That's right; do it," replied the old maid. "I shall be delighted to accept it."

"Well," said the postman, smiling. "What do you want me to write—a business letter or a love letter?"

"If you mean business, please write a love letter," was her blushing reply.—London Scraps.

Ownership of the Air.

Our ancestors must have foreseen the aeroplane or they would not have embodied in the law the principle that he who owns the land owns the column of air above "usque ad coelum," or up to the skies. This can be traced back as far as the reign of Edward I., and from this time every authority to the present court of appeal has emphasized the right of every citizen not only to be king of his own castle, but of the sky above it.—London Chronicle.

Too Deep For Him.

A Britisher was announcing his views on things in general and summed up his own position by the statement, "Well, I've seen life." "But," said his American friend, "one of your own bright poets has said, 'Life's a joke.'" The Britisher is still exploring the remark.—New York Times.

Consistent.

She—This wait between the acts seems to me to be dreadfully long. He—Yes. You see, twenty years are supposed to elapse, and the management is simply trying to make the effect as realistic as possible.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Trimming the Barber.

The Head Barber—Sure, Mr. Allgall, I'll lend you a dollar. Glad to help you out. Mr. Allgall—Many thanks, old man. They're having a sale of safety razors around the corner, and I didn't want to miss it.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

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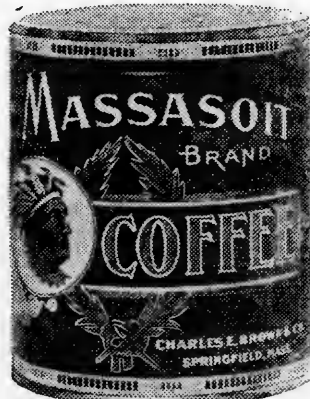
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Ate a Hearty Dinner, Then Died With Acute Indigestion

According to Dr. J. O. Limerell, of New York, an eminent authority and writer on several branches of medicine and surgery, the percentage of deaths in this country from acute indigestion has shown a startling gain in the past five years.

In an interview, he recently made the statement that acute indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble, was carrying off more prominent men than any other one disease. It was only recently that a well-known man sat down to a hearty dinner and had scarcely finished when he threw up his hands and fell back, dead.

No one should flirt with disaster when he knows he is taking chances on nearly everything he eats, because it is so easy to be on the safe side. GASTROAIDS is a wonderful new preparation made by a famous New York physician and chemist for stomach troubles. It drives out the gases, sweetens the stomach, neutralizes the acids, prevents fermentation and assists the stomach to digest the food. You can eat anything, then chew up one of these magical little brown tablets and your body will derive the full benefit of your food, without any pain, nausea or belching. No other digestive medicine ever prescribed acts as this does. Safeguard yourself now and eat anything. All druggists or from Curt Chemical Company, 117 East 24th Street, New York City, for 10c, 25c or 50c. Don't forget, ask for GASTROAIDS.

Monson News.

Entertainment by Local Talent.

Pleasing Performance in Aid of District Nurse Proposition.

The Monson Improvement Society made its debut as an entertainment organization before a capacity house in Memorial Hall Tuesday evening, and presented a program which proved very pleasing to the large audience. The food and candy sale opened at 5 o'clock in the selectmen's room, and \$54 were netted from this sale. Mrs. G. C. Flynt, Mrs. F. J. Entwistle, Mrs. Mabel McKennett, Mrs. John Herlihy and Miss Joanna Leary were the committee in charge. The candy table was looked after by eight young ladies, who sold their wares before the performance began and between the acts; Misses Olivia C. Flynt, Ruth L. Hibbard, Hazel E. Moore, Florence E. McKennett, Annie Entwistle, Helen Beckwith, Louise Pendergast and Louise Fahy were the committee. Mrs. E. W. Capen, Mrs. R. H. Cushman, Miss Margaret Corcoran were the committee in charge of tickets, programs, etc. Many others were instrumental in making the affair a success, and all those taking any part in the evening's program donated their services gratis.

The program follows:

Orchestra.
Tenor solo. "Because I Love You, Dear."
William Hill.
Cello solo. "Aria."
Henry Billings. Genaglia

Specialties.
Cantwell and Gould.
Farce. "Pa's Newhousekeeper."
Pa Jackson. W. L. Ricketts
Jimmie Jackson. D. W. Ellis
Jack Brown. A. J. Buffington
Mattie Jackson. G. W. Ellis
Mollie Holbrook. G. H. Seymour

Cantwell and Gould as gentlemen of color introduced a bit of vaudeville which was well taken. They sang, "Rag Pick a Man," "I Didn't Raise My Boy to be a Soldier," and "Tipperary Mary." In the farce, W. L. Ricketts as the father, and the impersonation of girls by G. W. Ellis and G. H. Seymour were especially well taken. Between the first and second parts of the program, Supt. F. S. Wheeler spoke briefly of the society's aims and awarded prizes to children selling the most tickets. He said that membership was open to all Monson people of all ages. The committee on membership are Mrs. P. W. Soule, Mrs. E. E. Thompson, Miss Margaret Corcoran, Miss Mattie M. Collis.

Practically \$200 were realized by the entertainment and food sale combined. More money for the district nurse will be raised by popular subscription and other means.

Frank A. Moore has returned from five weeks' stay in Melrose.

Mrs. W. M. Needham has returned from several weeks' stay in Baltimore.

Robert K. Squier has returned from a visit with friends in Quincy.

Ash Wednesday services were held in St. Patrick's church yesterday morning.

Mrs. Richard Beckwith of Lincoln Place, who has been seriously ill, is slowly recovering.

Mrs. Albert Pease was called to Hartford last Thursday on account of the death of a relative.

"Peace Sunday" in honor of 100 years of peace with Canada was observed in the Congregational church Sunday morning, Dr. G. A. Andrews preaching a peace sermon.

Marcus Keep Women's Relief Corps gave a whist party in G. A. R. Hall Monday evening. Members of the post and A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, were in attendance.

Meetings at the Bungalow to continue the Red Cross work will be held to-morrow morning and afternoon, at 9 and 2 o'clock. There will be a reading in the afternoon from "Anse of Ava."

The Dorcas Society will hold their next meeting in the Congregational church parlors next Wednesday afternoon at 2.30. The committee in charge will be Miss Starr, Mrs. H. E. Kendall, Mrs. C. W. Jackson.

Louise Agnes, the year-and-a-half-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schultz, died at their home on South Main street Saturday afternoon of pneumonia. The funeral was held at the home Monday morning.

Main street surface drains have again proven wholly insufficient to care for surface water. Conditions have been especially bad in front of E. J. Osborne's house and at the foot of Academy Hill. One old-timer viewing the situation says, "A little less scuffin' around with a hoe to make things look nice and a little more sensible repairing would not be so bad."

Because of the continued illness of Mrs. Addie Chase Smith, who was to render "Enoch Arden" next Tuesday evening for the King's Daughters, the entertainment committee has secured Miss Edith M. Herriek, a graduate of and for five years instructor in the Leland Powers School, who will give a play-recital. Her subject will be Israel Zangwill's four-act comedy romance, "Merely Mary Ann." Vocal and instrumental music will be furnished by local talent, and an enjoyable program is promised. Tickets are on sale at Bradway's news room.

Death of Mrs. Daniel Felton.

Mrs. Daniel S. Felton, 67, died at her home on the Wales road Saturday afternoon after a six-months' illness with kidney trouble. She was born in New Brunswick, but came as a child to this section of Massachusetts, living for a time at Palmer and Brimfield. Mr. Felton died last winter. Together they had lived on the Wales road over 40 years. Mrs. Felton leaves eight children; Mrs. Clara M. Bond of Los Angeles, Cal., Mrs. Carl Borgwardt of West Springfield, Clayton of Wales, Mrs. John Carew, Edward, Arthur, Oliver and Miss Edith, all of Monson; also one sister, Delia Ashley of New Bedford. The funeral was held at the home Monday afternoon, Rev. W. A. Kilmer officiating; burial was in the new cemetery at Wales.

Boy Cut by Piece of Ice.

James De Rosa, an Italian boy, was badly cut over the right eye while enjoying a sleighride with his schoolmates of Miss Hynes' room of the Mechanic street school last Friday night. The children had been to Palmer and were nearing home when some boys on the sidewalk threw a sharp piece of ice, which cut young De Rosa so severely over his eye that Dr. C. W. Jackson had to take several stitches to close the wound.

Mrs. L. C. Flynt has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Marshall of Providence, during the past week.

The Fortnightly Club will meet next Monday evening with Mrs. P. W. Soule. It will be a social evening.

Monday was given the school teachers as visiting day, and they went for the most part to Springfield, where they visited various grades.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Methodist church will serve their annual turkey dinner in the church parlors Monday noon at 12 o'clock.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will meet next Thursday afternoon in the church parlors.

S. F. Cushman has resigned his position as a member of the board of registrars of voters, which he has held for 22 consecutive years. His successor has not yet been appointed.

Dr. G. A. Andrews spoke to the 8th and 9th grades at the Green street schoolhouse Wednesday afternoon as a part of the Peace exercises held by the children in celebration of the treaty of Ghent, which was ratified 100 years ago Wednesday.

The last supper and social of the season will be held in the parlors of the Congregational church to-morrow evening at 6.30. Committee in charge, Mrs. H. A. Merchant, Mrs. S. F. Cushman, Mrs. E. W. Capen, Mrs. F. S. Cushman.

W. C. Moulton finished harvesting ice for his wholesale trade at the Ellis No. 1 pond yesterday. Mr. Moulton filled the houses at H. M. Smith's place on the Stafford Road several weeks ago, and also has a house filled at his place at North Monson.

Monson pool enthusiasts have been having some excellent matches against Thorndike's pocket billiard artists during the past few weeks. Five games have been played and Thorndike was five balls ahead until Monday night, when the Monson boys won, 442 to 282. The sixth and final leg of the series will be played at Thorndike next Monday night.

Omer E. Bradway, forest fire warden, has been notified that Monson has been allotted \$200 for employment of unemployed. This sum is to be used for cutting brush along the highways under Mr. Bradway's supervision, and 20 cents per hour will be paid, each man being allowed \$1.60 per day only. Mr. Bradway will start the work as soon as help apply.

Andrew R. Brown, proprietor of the Boston Store, had a bad fall in Boston Tuesday evening. Mr. Brown was hurrying to catch his train and fell on the ice in front of the South Station, striking his head on the curb with such force that his scalp was badly cut. He was taken to the Haymarket Emergency Hospital and several stitches were required to close the wound.

The Girls' Club, of which there are 16 members, entertained 16 of their gentlemen friends at the Bungalow last Saturday evening. Games, cards and dancing were enjoyed. Refreshments were served. The patronesses were Miss E. R. Holmes, Mrs. F. J. Entwistle, Mrs. Mabel E. McKennett. The Bungalow was very prettily decorated with festoons of gayly colored papers, large red hearts and other St. Valentine insignia.

Supt. F. A. Wheeler attended a boosters' meeting of Hampden County Improvement League workers at Springfield Saturday, at which the Children Volunteer work was thoroughly discussed. It is planned to have work for the boys and girls of the country, including poultry, potato and vegetable growing contests, recreational games and other activities. An effort will be made by League workers to interest some of the local children.

SILVER STREET NOTES.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lemon are rejoicing over the birth of a son.

Matthew McDermott spent Sunday with his brother in Hartford.

Miss Louisa Wobbecke spent the week-end with relatives in Stafford.

There will be a baked bean supper and sociable in the Glendale church this evening.

The East Wilbraham Social Circle met at the home of Clifford Green Monday evening. Games and music were enjoyed.

There will be a musical entertainment in the East Wilbraham church this evening at 7.45. Candy and ice cream will be on sale.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushey.)

Sunday night the Students Y. M. C. A. held a song service in Cushman Hall. Miss Anna E. Krause, who sings in the Congregational church choir, rendered some very pleasing selections, and was accompanied by Miss Ruth L. Hibbard. Mr. Hill also sang. Mr. Steele, Mr. French and Mr. Perry gave short talks. Mrs. Dewing, Mrs. French, Miss Holden and Miss Brown were present. President Reimers led the meeting.

Linophilian met at Cushman Hall on Thursday. The program was as follows: "Life of Dryden," R. L. Harper; "Life of Pope," C. W. Inglehart; "Contrast of Poetry of Dryden and Pope," H. B. Burrill; "Definition of Classicism," F. W. Rogers; "Social England in 18th Century," J. J. Fushey.

Well Supplied.

"How about the new cook?"
"She says she wants three nights out a week, beefsteak at every meal and a room with southern exposure."

"Has she any references?"
"No; all she has is preferences."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Rather Spiteful.

Mrs. Crawford—Has she really as good a memory as she claims? Mrs. Crabshaw—Only for certain things. She can remember if one has had a hat made over or a skirt turned.—Judge.

Legal Amenities.

Judge—No two of the witnesses tell the same story. Lawyer—I arranged it that way, your honor. I didn't want the trial to be too monotonous for you.—Boston Transcript.

Lucky For Peter.

"I'm glad I'm not a goldfish," observed small Peter, "for in that case I'd have to stay in a bathtub all the time."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

Wheels and the World.

The history of the evolution of locomotion as well as an infinity of other studies of the keenest interest could all be centered in the wheel.

Without wheels we should have no watches, no steering at sea. We should be unable to utilize the waterfalls as motor force, nor should we have hundreds of other things of the utmost attraction and utility.

All our modern civilization has come to us on wheels. All we know about other countries, all the commerce we have established throughout the world and our means of wealth we owe to the wheel. It is difficult to imagine what the world would come to if suddenly all wheels vanished from our midst. No war, no famine, no revolution, could be one-hundredth part as effectual in putting us back centuries as the lack of wheels.

The romance of wheels has gone, never to return again. Wheels are now looked upon merely as accessories, whirling indifferently, faster and faster, but practically ignored.

He Saw the Battle.

There were no war correspondents in Wellington's time, but that his attitude toward such would have been friendly may be judged by a story told by Lady Dorothy Nevill.

At Waterloo the duke noticed a little man in plain clothes, mounted on a sturdy cob, who rode hither and thither in the thick of the fight. He had him brought to him to demand his business, whereupon the man explained that he was traveling for a Birmingham button maker and, chancing to be in Brussels and never having seen a battle, he was taking the opportunity of seeing this one. Wellington not only allowed him to continue his observations, but presently trusted him with a dispatch for one of his generals in the firing line. The safe delivery of the message was rewarded, in more peaceful times, by a comfortable government appointment.—London Opinion.

Placing the Defendant.

A legal journal says that a suit brought by a portly man against a little man with a hacking cough had gone to the jury, at which time it appeared from the evidence and the instructions of the court that the big man had won the case. After half an hour the jury was called and asked if a verdict had been reached.

"No, your honor," replied the foreman. "We only want to know which is the defendant and which is the plaintiff."

"The large man sitting over there is the plaintiff, and the small gentleman here is the defendant," replied the judge.

The jury filed back to the jury room. In a few minutes they signaled that they had reached a verdict. The judge received it and read:

"We, the jury, find for the man with the consumption."

Early Hand Guns.

When Edward IV. returned to England, in 1471, ten years after he succeeded to the throne, he obtained some forces from his brother-in-law, the Duke of Burgundy, including 300 Flemings armed with hand guns, thus being the first to introduce these weapons into England. Afterward they became common. At first they were fired by the application of a lighted match to the touchhole by the hand. The match was a wick lighted and pressed against the powder in the pan. The invention of a lock to fire the powder in place of the hand was suggested by the trigger of the crossbow. The matchlock fired the arquebus, or harquebus, used by the soldiers of the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, in projecting a ball which weighed nearly two ounces.—London Telegraph.

A Rapid Calculation Trick.

By means of a simple arrangement of numbers a calculation can be made which will easily puzzle any unsuspecting person. If the two numbers 41,090 and 83 be written out in multiplication form very few will endeavor to write down the answer directly without first going through the regular work. By placing the 3 in front of the 4 and the 8 back of the 6 the answer is obtained at once, thus: 41,090x83 equals 3,410,968. A larger number which can be treated in the same way is the following: 4,109,589,041,096x83 equals 341,095,890,410,968.—Popular Mechanics.

Tibetans and Prayers.

The Tibetans are the most pre-eminent praying people on the face of the earth. They have praying stones, praying pyramids, praying flags flying over all the houses, praying wheels and praying mills and the universal prayer, "Om mani pad me haun," is never out of their mouths.—Exchange.

Crystal Wedding Anticipated.

"What did he send you for a wedding present?"
"Cut glass."
"Ah! Tableware, I suppose?"
"No; a necklace."—London Standard.

Greased Torpedoes.

It is not generally known that every torpedo is covered over with fine vaseline so as to make it run easily in its tube as well as to protect the valuable weapon from rust and sea water.

Hard Luck.

"Terrible predicament Jones was in."
"What was that?"
"Got in hot water and couldn't get anybody to bail him out."—Baltimore American.

To lose money ill is indeed often a crime, but to get it ill is a worse one, and to spend it ill is worst of all.—Buskin.

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Many of the lots are small, and we stated the quantities in our opening advertisement—turn to it, if you happen to have a Springfield paper of Tuesday evening or Wednesday morning dating.

The reductions for this reason are, in many cases, greater than ever before, and have consequently filled the store with really wonderful bargains, the equal of which could only be duplicated in a sale of this kind.

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TWO BOLD BURGLARIES.

Three Rivers Post Office and Railroad Station.

SOME TIME DURING SATURDAY NIGHT

Very Little Secured in Either Place. Evidently Work of Amateurs. No Clues.

The post office and the station of the Central Vermont railroad in Three Rivers were broken into some time Saturday night, the breaks being discovered about 10.30 Sunday morning. At the post office a small sum of money was obtained from the gum machine, and letters and packages were scattered about and some of them broken open. No stamps were taken, and no money was left in the office over night, so the return for the risk must have been small. What may have been taken from the mail is not known. Entrance was effected by prying up a rear window.

A window was also pried up to get into the railroad station. There the gum machine was broken open, but it had been emptied Saturday and could not have contained more than a few pennies. No tickets were taken, though drawers and closets were ransacked. Apparently cash was all that was wanted.

There is no conjecture as to the time of the breaks. No noise was heard by any person at any time, and as the buildings are isolated the thieves had ample opportunity to work without disturbance. There were no clues left on which to work, and the chances of detecting the guilty parties seems slight.

HAMPDEN.

Mortimer Pease, a former selectman, is seriously ill at his home. Dr. A. L. Hurd of Somers, Ct., is attending him.

Mr. and Mrs. George Patrick were surprised by a large number of friends Monday evening, who presented them with a parlor rug and other useful articles.

M. S. Beebe entertained a large card party at his home Monday evening. Eight tables of set-back were in play. First prizes were won by Mrs. W. J. Sessions and George A. Chapin, and consolations by Mrs. Elsie R. Parkness and N. M. Carew.

The Republican caucus will be held next Monday evening at 7.30 in the town hall, for the nomination of candidates for town offices. The Democratic and Citizens' caucus will be held Tuesday evening at 7.30.

Hampden Grange held a regular meeting in the town hall Friday evening with a good number present. There is no immediate prospect of a settlement of the controversy between the Grange and A. F. Ballard and others. It was voted to accept the invitation extended from Springfield Grange for the evening of April 7.

A large number of those interested in the trolley extension from East Longmeadow to Hampden were present at the meeting in its interests Monday evening in the town hall. C. I. Bureleigh called the meeting to order and W. J. Sessions was made permanent chairman. John Davis of East Longmeadow and A. F. Ballard made remarks. The meeting voted to send W. J. Sessions to Boston to-day to represent Hampden at the hearing on the Carmody bill before the legislative committee on street railways.

WARREN.

Miss Nellie Wiley of West Warren and Alexander D. Boyington of Chicago were married by Justice of the Peace W. F. Duncan at his home Tuesday evening. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Boyington left by automobile for Marlboro.

John D. Sheehan, 39, died at his home on Main street, West Warren, last Friday, where he had been confined for the past month. Previous to that time he was employed as a druggist in Springfield. Mr. Sheehan was a member of Court Quabog, F. of A., and of Division 27, A. O. H. of Warren, and was one of the most popular young men of West Warren. The funeral was held from St. Thomas' church Monday with mass by Rev. Emilien J. B. Delarge, and was largely attended.

Philip Jerominek of Moore avenue has just received word from his father in Petrograd that three of his brothers have been killed in battle. This is the first word he has received since the beginning of the war, and no other information of the war was contained in the letter. Mr. Jerominek came to America about 15 years ago and to Warren seven years ago. He was the first voter of Polish extraction on the voting list of this town.

W. R. C. Entertainment.

Pleasing Observance of Washington's Birthday in Memorial Hall.

The annual observance of Washington's Birthday by the L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps, which has for years taken the form of a chicken-pie supper, followed by an entertainment and dancing, was this year changed for a variety of reasons and took the form of an entertainment with an attendant sale of various articles, with dancing following. There was some trepidation at first as to the result of the change, for the supper had acquired a reputation which always drew a "full house," and there was question as to how the public would "take" to the changed order of things. But the Corps' reputation for giving an audience its money's worth stood it in good stead, for the attendance Monday evening was large—there were not seats enough in Memorial Hall to accommodate all who flocked to the entertainment at 8 o'clock. This took the form of a four-act play, "Cranberry Corners," which was well rendered and very much enjoyed. The cast was:

Tom Dexter, one of nature's noblemen, Sidney Everett, of the world's, Bert Collins, Charles Warner, Frank Jones, Nelson Jones, Elizabeth Hopkins, fond of an argument, Chester Canterbury, Nathan Speck, the hired man, James Clark Jr., Carlotta Bannister, a child of fate, Mrs. Ruth Canterbury, Anastasia Bannister, her strillish, aunt from N. Y., Mrs. Lillian Parkhurst, Amelia Dexter, sister of Andrew, Mrs. Frank Jones, Mrs. Muslin, something of a talker, "as you might say," Mrs. Charlotte Randlett, Bella Ann, help at the farm, Esther Parkhurst, Ruby Jones.

Previous to the performance there was music by piano and drum, which were also used for the dancing which followed the play. A large number participated, both the old and new dances being in order.

The hall was very prettily decorated with flags, and at one end was a cherry tree laden with fruit, presided over by George and Martha Washington, impersonated very pleasingly by Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Freeman, with Philip Jones as a page, all being in appropriate costume. The payment of a small sum in current funds provided one with a number which called for a "mystery" package from a table near by. Booths for the sale of aprons, fancy articles, candy and ice cream were provided and liberally patronized. These were presided over by: Fancy articles and aprons, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, Mrs. Laura Calkins and Mrs. Bessie Grinstone; candy, Mrs. Lora Green and Mrs. Rachael Titterton; ice cream, Mrs. Cora Alden and Mrs. Agnes Calkins. The ushers were Mrs. Elsie Marcy, Mrs. Alice Gale, Mrs. Louise Hobbs and Miss Alice Collis.

The entertainment was under the joint management of the executive and entertainment committees of the Corps, the decorating being attended to by both. These committees are: Executive, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, Mrs. Cora L. Alden, Mrs. Lora M. Green, Mrs. Effie Freeman, Mrs. Rachael Titterton, Mrs. Bessie Grinstone, Mrs. Laura Calkins; entertainment, Mrs. Lillian Parkhurst, Mrs. Lena Buffington, Mrs. Ruth Canterbury, Mrs. Frances Shaw, Mrs. Ruth Sanderson. The Corps will net a considerable sum by the entertainment, the success of which was amply deserved.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

F. A. Thayer will open a fish market to-morrow morning in the market formerly occupied by N. I. Bradway.

George D. Keith is confined to his home by serious illness.

The second annual roll call service of Grace Union church was held last week Wednesday evening. At 6.30 a supper was served to parish members and visitors. The evening program was opened by a solo by Miss Edith Roberts. Greetings were extended by Rev. W. L. Jennings, pastor. Rev. Martin Howard, who for 12 years was pastor here, and who is now pastor emeritus of the United church of Wilbraham, gave a talk on "Former Days." Brief remarks were made by Rev. Howard Legg of Wilbraham, J. M. Perry, clerk of the church, H. W. Cutler, treasurer, and all responded to the roll call. The church membership is now the largest in its history. A historical sketch of the church and the present plans for its work was given by the pastor. Resolutions on the death of Rev. and Mrs. Charles Gates were passed. The address of the evening was given by Rev. Nicholas Vanderpyl, pastor of the First church in Haverhill, who spoke of his early associations as minister of Grace church, of the men and women associated with him 22 years previous, and of the great changes which have been made in the general work of the church. Rev. Howard Legg closed the service with prayer, and all joined in the singing of "Blest be the Tie that Binds."

SAID HIS FIRST MASS.

Ordination to Priesthood of Thorndike Boy.

SERVICE IN CHURCH OF CHILDHOOD.

Large Number Hear Rev. Edward B. Daley in St. Mary's Sunday; Many Visitors.

St. Mary's church in Thorndike was the scene of an unusually impressive service Sunday morning when, Rev. Edward B. Daley, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Daley of Commercial street in that village, officiated at his first official high mass. The seating capacity of the church was taxed to the limit with relatives, friends and acquaintances of the young clergyman who were eager to witness the ceremony, which was all the more interesting because it was by one who for years had been connected with St. Mary's



in the capacity of altar boy, and whose advancement has been watched by many friends with unusual interest.

The services took place at 10 o'clock, the officers of the mass being as follows: Celebrant, Rev. Edward B. Daley; deacon, Rev. Howard Miller of Huntingdon, Pa.; sub deacon, Rev. John Byrnes of Gallitzin, Pa.; both were former classmates of Fr. Daley. Bernard Loftus of Thorndike was master of ceremonies. The ushers were Frank Loftus, William Sullivan and Patrick Nagle, all companions of Fr. Daley. Miss Nola Cavanaugh sang "Ave Maria" at the offertory of the mass, and Miss Elizabeth Riddle sang the solo, "Agnus Dei." The pastor, Rev. P. J. Griffin, preached an eloquent sermon, taking for his subject "A Priest Forever." His talk was interesting and he held the attention of the large audience during his discourse in a noticeable manner. Following the service of the mass hundreds presented themselves at the altar or communion rail to receive the young priest's blessing. Among the congregation were many from outside the Catholic faith.

In the evening solemn vespers were at 7.30, the officers being the same who took part in the morning service.

At the home of Fr. Daley numerous relatives and friends were entertained at dinner, many being in attendance from Boston, Fitchburg, Warren, and other cities and towns outside Palmer.

Rev. Fr. Daley was born in Thorndike 25 years ago, and after attending the grammar school of his village and the high school for a short time, studied at Bonaventure College, Allegany, N. Y., where he took his college course. Later he went to St. Francis Seminary, Loretta, Pa., where he studied theology and where he was ordained on Friday morning of last week by Rt. Rev. Bishop Garvey, D. D. Fr. Daley will leave some time next week for his new field of labor in Colver, Pa., where he has been assigned to the pastorate of the "Holy Family" church. The fact that he has been placed in charge of a parish so soon after ordination is especially pleasing to his many friends, who wish him every success in his chosen field of labor.

WILBRAHAM.

Mrs. Myron Bruer has a branch of a peach tree which was brought into the house in bud and which has blossomed out.

Mrs. C. B. Hitchcock entertained the Maple street Social Club last Thursday. It was voted to hold a "Gentlemen's night" at the next meeting, which will be with Mrs. Clarence Pease.

Miss Carrie J. Fish of the Swampscott commercial high school faculty has been spending the week at her home on Walnut street.

WING HOSPITAL REPORT.

Annual Meeting of Association Held Last Evening.

CONDITION IS VERY SATISFACTORY.

Institution in Operation Five Months. Cost Low. List of Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the Wing Memorial Hospital Association was held last evening in the reference room of the public library, President H. E. W. Clark presiding. The various reports showed the institution to be in an enviable condition for one which has been in operation only five months.

The report of the treasurer showed the receipts of the year from all sources to have been \$10,383.96; there is a balance of \$219.08 on hand. There are bills payable of \$236.76, and there is \$646.19 due from patients. The real estate of the association is valued at \$8000; insurance to the amount of \$10,000 is carried on the buildings and contents.

These officers were elected: President, D. L. Bodfish; vice presidents, R. C. Newell and J. F. Foley; secretary, Mrs. Alice T. Childs; treasurer, Theodore Norman; finance committee, L. J. Brainerd, Theodore Norman, H. W. Holbrook, to be assisted by Dr. G. A. Moore, Dr. H. C. Cheney, H. M. Howe and E. G. Childs; chairman of Ladies' Aid, Mrs. Hattie Parker; auditor, Dr. W. Carpenter; board of managers, Dr. M. B. Hodgkins and Dr. C. W. Jackson of Monson, Dr. R. V. Sawin of Brimfield, Dr. G. A. Moore, Dr. S. R. Carsey and Dr. H. C. Cheney of Palmer; trustees for three years, Mrs. Alice T. Childs, H. E. W. Clark, C. A. LeGros, E. B. Taylor, Mrs. Abbie M. Wing; Theodore Norman was elected a trustee in place of Mrs. M. A. Palmer, resigned; the physicians of Palmer, Monson, Brimfield and Wales were made an advisory board. Dr. and Mrs. Albert D. Mead of Providence, R. I., who have already done much for the institution, asked the privilege of beautifying the grounds with shrubbery, etc., under a definite plan, and a committee consisting of D. L. Bodfish, E. B. Taylor and H. W. Brainerd was appointed to co-operate with them in the work.

The board of managers reported the staff to be well organized and working efficiently. The greatest need at present is an X-ray machine and equipment, the cost of which is set at \$390.

The report of the superintendent, Miss Margaret Hill, showed that since the opening of the hospital for business Sept. 8, a total of 126 cases have been cared for, 77 surgical, 35 medical, and 14 obstetrical, the babies making a total of 140 patients. There were also 23 accident cases. The deaths numbered five. The total business done amounted to \$2351.68, of which \$1872.43 was collected and \$479.25 remains unpaid. The weekly cost per patient was \$13.88, an unusually low figure. Palmer patients in wards paid \$55.77; in private rooms, \$321.71. Out of town patients in wards paid \$706.60; in private rooms, \$481.62. The cost of operation for the five months exceeded the earnings by \$336.65.

Ware Station Burglarized.

The union railroad station at Ware was entered early Sunday morning by unknown parties, who forced an entrance by prying open a window. Two gum machines and the pay telephone box were opened, but the contents did not amount to more than ten dollars. The door of the ticket office was forced but the tickets and money were in the safe and were untouched. Upon his arrival at 6 o'clock in the morning H. N. Fisher discovered the break and notified Chief Buckley. Officer Renaud was at the station after 3 in the morning and found everything all right, so the entrance was made between that hour and 6 o'clock. The two lights which are always left burning in the waiting rooms were found turned low, and the thief or thieves had departed by the door, taking the key with them. Chief Buckley has not been able to discover a single clue. The station at Thorndike was broken into the same night and the gum machine and telephone box in that place rifled, and it is thought that both breaks may have been made by the same parties.

Miss Annie Cameron, a teacher in Penacook, N. H., was a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cameron of Thorndike street, over the weekend.

Large Number of Deer Seen.

King Brook Seems to be Rendezvous. Hounding by Dogs Alleged.

"Where do all the deer come from?" is a question that hunters and others who have visited the King Brook run are asking. This section of the country is alive with the animals, which are seen in droves of from four to twelve, and one person says he counted as high as twenty of the animals in single file going down to the King Brook to drink.

In the open season last fall the deer, which previous to then were conspicuous about this locality, seemed to have left for other quarters, but since the closed season last fall, when they were hunted so much in the "Steering Rock" section, the animals have appeared to cross the river and returned to their old haunts. Unless they are driven away by dogs during the coming summer and early fall, the prospects for good deer hunting in the town of Palmer next fall is better than at any time since the season has been opened on these animals.

Persons who desire to get a snapshot of the deer can do so by going to the King Brook above the home of Dennis Mahoney, and if they take up their stand and are patient, they will be rewarded. The deer cross between Mahoney's and the St. John farms near Pattaquatic Mountain about 4 in the afternoon nearly every day.

The unusually large number of deer frequenting this section this winter has made it necessary for local fox hunters to watch their hounds lest they get after deer. As a rule hunters do not allow their hounds to follow the animals, but despite all their efforts it sometimes happens that they are unable to prevent it. On the other hand, it is claimed that there are hounds owned in Palmer which good fox hunters refuse to allow their dogs to run with, owing to their reputation for following deer. Deputy Game Warden Luman is keeping a sharp watch of the dogs complained of, and will apply the law to the owners or keepers, if the animals can be found following deer.

BELCHERTOWN.

Lawrence Parsons has returned to New York after spending the week-end in town.

Mrs. Eunice Bardwell was bitten by a cat recently, and is suffering severely from the wounds.

William Kimball, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kimball of South Main street, is suffering from a sprained ankle.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry I. Bailey of the Methodist church celebrated the eighth anniversary of their marriage last week Wednesday.

Miss Mary Allen was painfully burned last week by hot lard, which splattered over her hands and face and injured one of her eyes.

While chopping wood last week Waring Randall severed the thumb from his left hand. The cords of the fingers were cut, but it is expected that the use of the fingers may be retained. Dr. J. L. Collard is attending him.

Announcements of the marriage in Hartford, Ct., the 17th, of Miss Marjorie Moore of that city to Robert Longley Bridgman Jr. have been received in town. Mr. Bridgman was until five years ago a resident of this town, and was a graduate of the high school.

A large dinner party composed of college professors and their families and others from Amherst was entertained at Park View Hotel last Saturday evening. A five-course dinner was served, and the decorations were appropriate to the celebration of Washington's birthday. Dancing was also enjoyed in the dance hall.

Thomas Mansfield, 75, died at his home on Federal street Sunday morning. He was a horse shoer by trade and had lived in Belchertown for a number of years. He is survived by his widow and five children, two daughters, Miss Maude Mansfield and Mrs. Hicks of Springfield, and three sons, Thomas of Easthampton, and James and William of this town.

Vernon lodge of Masons held its annual concert and ball Monday evening in Park View Hall with a very large attendance. G. B. Jackson and partner led the grand march and about 75 couples were in line. Music was furnished by the Philharmonic orchestra of Springfield. R. A. Childs was chairman of the committee in charge, and other members were Dr. Collard, A. R. Lewis, M. C. Baggs and G. B. Jackson.

George S. Holden is in New York City to attend a reunion banquet of his Amherst class at the Hotel Biltmore. Gov. Charles S. Whitman, who was president of the class in its senior year, was one of the many notable men present.

STRIKE AT WIRE MILL.

About 50 Employees Walk Out Suddenly Tuesday.

AND TIE UP BALANCE OF THE PLANT

Due to Misunderstanding. The Matter Adjusted Quickly, and All at Work Again.

There was a strike of a portion of the employees of the Wright Wire Company's plant near Shearers Corner Tuesday morning, about 50 going out. The work which these men do is such that without their product the rest of the employees could not go on, and as a consequence about 275 hands were idle until this morning, when all returned to work again on the same basis as when they went out, the matter having been adjusted yesterday forenoon after a conference with General Manager George M. Wright, who came up from Worcester.

Most of the strikers were Poles, and but little could be learned of the causes of the strike, but the following was given out by one of the men, a Pole who speaks good English. His claim was that for some time the men have felt that they were not treated fairly, poor material and unjust reductions in pay being portions of their grievance. The fault for the trouble was laid at the door of a Polish boss. Finally, a few weeks ago, the men decided to organize and did so, though little was said about it and an effort made to keep the matter secret. Word of it got out however, and members were asked for information by mill officials, but declined to give it. Tuesday morning a member of the union was asked for information, and on refusing was discharged, whereupon the men walked out. This is the strikers' side of the of the matter as told on Tuesday.

J. W. Lauren, superintendent of the mill, gave the following for the company. He stated that he did not know the cause of the strike. He had heard the story of a labor organization in the mill, but knew little about it and had not pressed for information. Tuesday morning he had some talk with a workman about his work. The man stated that he belonged to a union and Mr. Lauren doubted it. The man offered to show a receipt for dues paid when he returned from dinner, but before that time the men had walked out. Mr. Lauren asked the cause and was told he would be informed at 4.30. At that time they had with them a representative of the International Association of Machinists, who said the local members of the mill were associated with that body. No definite complaints were made by the strikers, but something was said about the partiality of the foreman, and his discharge was requested.

Mr. Lauren stated that he knew of no partiality in the distribution of the work; no complaint had been heard along this line before Tuesday. When a man by reason of poor material fails to earn his average, an allowance for day work is made him sufficient to bring his wages up to the average he has been drawing, and this the payroll will show. Mr. Lauren stated that no man had been discharged on Tuesday, and the committee did not ask for the reinstatement of any man in connection with their requests. The men earn from \$18 to \$25 a week, and there has been no reduction in pay.

Most of the employees of the mill are Poles, with some Armenians, Turks, and other nationalities. As strikes are likely to be followed by disorder, the selectmen were applied to and appointed special officers for duty at the plant, but there was no disorder of any kind.

The matter was referred to President George M. Wright of the company, for adjustment. He came to Palmer yesterday forenoon and returned to Worcester at 1.22 p. m., leaving the following statement to be given out.

PALMER, MASS., Feb. 24, 1915.

At a meeting of two representatives of the International Association of Machinists, three of the employees of the mill, the president of the Wright Wire Company, Mr. J. W. Lauren, superintendent, and Mr. Childs, chief clerk at Palmer offices, which lasted about three-quarters of an hour, it developed that there had been a misunderstanding on the part of some of the workmen which was the cause of a number of them going out yesterday noon. The matter was easily explained, with the result that all the men will return to their usual work to-morrow, Thursday morning, as before.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Parsons of Philadelphia, Pa., left Monday after a week's visit with their son, H. M. Parsons of North Main street.

BRIMFIELD.

Death of Dr. William Pearsall.

The death of Dr. William Pearsall, which occurred at his home on Lakeview Farm last Thursday, has caused the sense of loss to prevail throughout the town during the past week. The news of his death came as a shock to the townspeople, for although he had been in feeble health due to Bright's disease since last fall, and unable to go out of doors during the winter, he had not been confined to his room and had been able to receive calls from friends up to the last.

Since Dr. Pearsall retired from medical practice in New York city and took up his residence in Brimfield, he had become more and more interested in public matters and identified with the life of the town, and last year was elected to the board of selectmen. For the last two or three months, however, he had been unable to attend to the duties of the office. He was especially interested in the development of agricultural interests in Brimfield as essential to the town's prosperity, and he was a promoter of the Brimfield Vocational Agricultural School, of which he was a trustee and the secretary-treasurer. He was one of the first in Brimfield to join the Hampden County Improvement League, and was a charter member of the Brimfield Farmers' Co-operative Exchange.

William Smith Pearsall was born in Saratoga Springs, N. Y., March 11, 1861, the son of Dr. S. J. Pearsall, for many years a well-known medical practitioner in Saratoga. He received his education in the Academy of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and at Wesleyan university, and studied medicine in the New York Homeopathic Medical College. After his graduation he engaged in practice in New York, and was also a lecturer in his college, and surgeon in the New York Ophthalmic Hospital. He was a member of the Wesleyan Alumni Association and of the New York Medical Club.

Dr. Pearsall was married in 1893 to Miss Florence Sherman, a daughter of the late Elijah T. Sherman of New York and Brimfield. In 1909 Dr. and Mrs. Pearsall took up their residence in the old Sherman homestead in Brimfield, which has been in possession of the Sherman family since the founding of the town 200 years ago. On the large farm which comprised the estate Dr. Pearsall was able to try modern progressive methods in agriculture and had enjoyed seeing of late their successful development. He had joined the Brimfield Grange, had assisted in its programs and had contributed to other meetings for the town's welfare. Dr. Pearsall was a man of unusual kindness of nature, with a friendly spirit always manifested toward those with whom he came in contact, and his loss is deeply mourned in the town and community as a citizen and friend. He is survived by his widow.

The funeral was held at the house Monday afternoon. There was a very large attendance of townspeople, and friends were present from New York, Springfield and Palmer. Rev. William Estabrook, pastor of the Brimfield church, officiated, assisted by Rev. William Jennings of Wilbraham, a former pastor. Mr. Estabrook, in his tribute to Dr. Pearsall, based his remarks upon the symbolism of the weaving of individual character by each person according to a design or pattern that is furnished him with the materials that are given. The figure that one weaves differs from that of another according to the elements that make up his character. With some the weaving is early finished, and that was true of Dr. Pearsall, but his life had shown to the world the private and public qualities that attracted the good will of all. A quartet, consisting of Munroe Tarbell, Clyde Norcross, Harry Norcross and Robert Streeter sang "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," and "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere." There were many choice flowers, among them being a wreath of galax and roses from the Brimfield Grange. Burial was in the Sherman family lot in the Brimfield cemetery. The bearers were Charles Tarbell and the members of the present board of selectmen, Orrin Hicks, Charles Filer and Clarence Brown.

Leon E. Truesdell of Washington, D. C., a representative of the office of rural organization in the United States Department of Agriculture, visited Brimfield for two days last week, obtaining data regarding community organizing in the town. The work is a new enterprise and the visit was the initial one made by Truesdell. Among the towns which he will next visit are Hardwick, Bolton and Wilbraham.

There is much interest in the home economics department of the Hampden County Volunteers, which organization was started last year in connection with the state boys' and girls' club movement conducted by the extension service of the Massachusetts Agricultural College. There are additions to the number of girls in the Hitchcock Free Academy and town schools who took up the work so successfully last year, so that there are 25 girls between the ages of 10 and 18 who are following the prescribed lines of activity in cooking, the care of rooms, and sewing. Miss Lydia Hitch-

cock, who was the voluntary adviser of the girls in this work last year, is continuing to give her services, and Mrs. Albert R. Brown has recently joined Miss Hitchcock in directing and instructing the girls in sewing. Twelve girls are taking sewing, of whom seven of the youngest form a junior class. This class met with Miss Hitchcock and Mrs. Brown at the home of the former last Thursday afternoon. The older girls will meet with Mrs. Brown at her home tomorrow afternoon.

The parent-teacher meeting held in the town hall last Thursday evening for the purpose of considering the advisability of teaching folk dancing in the Academy and grade schools was largely attended; the program took the form of a lecture illustrated by the dances, and was followed by a discussion. The lecture was given by Mrs. Kenney, and at its close she asked for an expression of opinion, which was unanimous in favor of such instruction. The teachers have volunteered their services, and it only remains to decide upon a suitable place for such instruction; the town hall seems to be the most feasible.

WARE.

William Dansereau and Henry Rabidoux were bitten Saturday afternoon by a dog owned by David Rohan. Chief of Police Buckley took the dog to Dr. Kenney's stable, where its actions are being closely watched. Louis Lapree, employed by the Ware and Brookfield Street Railway Company, was painfully injured last week, when a heavy gear fell upon his right foot while he was at work at the power house.

Mrs. Colman F. Tyler, 48, died at her home in Ware Center Sunday morning after a brief illness. Mrs. Tyler was a native of Beverly, but went to Greenwich about 11 years ago and two years ago came to Ware to take charge of the H. P. Cummings farm at Ware Center. She is survived by her husband, her father, Jeremiah White of this town, and one brother, Leslie M. White of Beverly. The funeral was held from the home Tuesday, and burial was in Beverly.

The financial report of the parish of Mt. Carmel church has been given out by the pastor, Rev. John T. Sheehan, and shows the parish to be in fine financial standing. The parochial residence and the church property are free from debt and there are \$38,000 in the banks in addition to a fund of \$10,000 received by the pastor from endowment policies, which he has donated to the building fund. The parish is endeavoring to raise money to build a new church on Pleasant street, but operations will not be begun until the sum has reached \$75,000.

Henry K. Hyde, moderator at the recent town meeting, has filed with Town Clerk Joseph H. Walker the following names of the two committees he was to appoint: To investigate a means for improving the appearance and sanitary condition of Ware River from South street along Water street, Charles B. Wetherby (chairman), William N. Newcomb, Perry E. Dunham, Wladyslaw J. Jarek and J. H. Schoonmaker; to investigate the matter of street lighting and rates, George D. Storrs (chairman), James E. Clark, Charles B. Wetherby, Frank M. Sibley, Hormisdas St. Onge, Arthur Thayer and Thomas E. Haley.

The ordination of Rev. Henry M. Hitchcock Jr. as pastor of the North Congregational church of Sanford, Me., is of special interest to Ware people in that he is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Hitchcock of Church street, as is also the fact that one of the examining council which conducted his examination was Rev. Charles H. Davis of Portland, Me., son of B. F. Davis of this town. This is Mr. Hitchcock's first permanent charge, although he has preached as a substitute in Millinocket, East Millinocket and Bar Harbor, Me.

Eden lodge of Masons held its seventh annual concert and ball in the town hall Monday night. Music for the occasion was furnished by Bosworth's orchestra of Easthampton, which rendered a concert from 8 to 8.45, when the grand march was formed. Worshipful Master George Dunham and Mrs. Dunham led the march, followed by the other officers and visitors, numbering about 60 couples. Both the older and the new dances were enjoyed. The committee of arrangements was composed of William N. Newcomb (chairman), W. B. Rood, D. Edward Packard, Harold Hitchcock and Carl E. Williams. William N. Howard acted as floor director, assisted by E. E. Barber, John H. Connor, James E. Allen, W. C. Lincoln, H. H. Scott and W. A. Green.

Mrs. F. B. Cogswell and suite of Springfield installed the officers of Oasis Rebekah lodge last week Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows' Hall. A supper was served for the visitors at 6 o'clock, and after the exercises a collation was served. The following were installed into office: Noble grand, Mrs. Helen Lawson; vice grand, Miss Eldora Johnson; recording secretary, Mrs. Mabel Vaughn; financial secretary, Mrs. Lina Collins; treasurer, Mrs. Sarah

Packard; right support noble grand, Mrs. M. Edith Studd; left support noble grand, Mrs. M. C. Medora Montgomery; warden, Mrs. Bessie Winslow; conductor, Mrs. Eva Heidel; chaplain, Mrs. Leora Lester; right support vice grand, Mrs. May Hunt; left support vice grand, Mrs. Eva Barbier; inside guardian, Miss Sadie Irwin; outside guardian, Mrs. Myrtle Hatlaway; pianist, Mrs. Ruth Marsh. Visitors were present from Springfield, Palmer, Bondsville and Gilbertville.

THE HELPING HAND.

Only those who have extended a helping hand to those in distress know the quiet joy that is born of such good works. The secret of happiness, at least of the most assured and tranquil happiness that is possible in this life, is to be absorbed in the affairs of others and particularly in their troubles. The man who can be so absorbed is sure not to be miserable, because he will never be aware of his own misfortunes. For them he will substitute the misfortunes of others.

WHEN SORROW COMES.

Life no doubt is paved with enjoyments, but we must all expect times of anxiety, of suffering and of sorrow, and when these come it is an inestimable comfort to have some deep interest which will, at any rate to some extent, enable us to escape from ourselves and keep us from brooding.—Sir John Lubbock.

PLEASURE AND LIFE.

"While we live let us live," is an ancient heathen saying, used to excuse living for pleasure alone. But pleasure is not life; it is but the fringe of real living. He who has known only pleasure has not known the deeper essentials of being. The old sundial motto is truly wise, "Time wasted is existence, used is life."

DESTINY.

It is a proverbial saying that every one makes his own destiny, and this is usually interpreted that every one by his wise or unwise conduct prepares good or evil for himself. But we may also understand it that whatever it be that he receives from the hand of Providence he may so accommodate himself to it that he will find his lot good for him.—William von Humboldt.

HONESTY.

If honesty is the best policy in business it is also the best policy when one has done wrong and is confronted with the question whether he shall confess everything frankly or make excuses. A transparent excuse is worse than none at all.

FAME.

Fame is a revenue payable only to our ghosts, and to deny ourselves all present satisfaction for this reward were as great madness as to starve ourselves and fight desperately for food to be laid on our tombs after death.—McKenzie.

AVARICE.

Cultivate thrift, but do not let avarice grip you. Avarice has ruined more men than prodigality, and the blindest thoughtlessness of expenditure has not destroyed so many fortunes as the calculating but insatiable lust for accumulation.

Deductions.

"I rejected both Jack and William last night."
"I know it. I saw them shaking hands on the golf links this morning."
—Philadelphia Ledger.

Pernambuco.

Pernambuco means "the mouth of hell," in allusion to the violent surf that is always seen at the mouth of its chief river.

Russia in Asia.

Russia has no colonies, properly so called. Its possessions in Asia are merely reserve grounds for surplus population.

Best For the Inner Man.

We are very fond of music, literature and art, but when all is said and done nothing makes a stronger appeal to us than something in the nature of a fritter.—Ohio State Journal.

The Anemone.

The anemone, according to mythology, sprang from the blood of Adonis, mingled with the tears which Venus shed over his body.

The saddest thing under the sky is a soul incapable of sadness.—Countess de Gasparin.

Do Everything Electrically. It pays in the end.

An Effective Retort.
The late Rev. Patrick Watson, vicar of Earlsfield, was a great authority on the Holy Land, and he was also a stickler for accuracy. An amusing passage of arms once took place between him and the archbishop of Canterbury. A committee report was under consideration, and Mr. Watson objected to the heading "Removal of Premises" on the ground that the things inside the premises were removed and not the building.
Dr. Temple replied, "I suspect you often tell your wife the kettle boils, but it doesn't."
The meeting roared with laughter and passed on to the next business.—London News.

The Scent of Flowers.
As a rule the scent of flowers does not exist in them as in a store or gland, but rather as a breath, an exhalation. While the flower lives it breathes out its sweetness, but when it dies the fragrance usually ceases to exist. The method of stealing from the flower its fragrance while it is still living is no new thing, and it is not known when it was discovered that butter, animal fat or oil would absorb the odor given off by living flowers placed near them and would themselves become fragrant.

Old Enough.
"I understand Miss Whatyoumaycall is going to have a birthday party this evening," the fat plumber observed.
"Yep," answered the thin carpenter.
"I've been invited."
"Did she keep her last birthday?"
"Yes, and I'll tell you in confidence I don't believe she ever intends to let go of it."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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O. P. Allen,

Palmer, Mass.

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Fine Colonial Secretary in mahogany, with roomy desk and three book shelves above.
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Heavy Oak Hall Rack with large mirror—
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Beautiful Hall Rack in solid oak, with mirror 24x36—
Reduced from \$38 to \$29

Handsome Hall Rack in fumed oak, with French beveled mirror—
Reduced from \$18 to \$14

Quartered Oak Hall Rack of good design—
Reduced from \$24.50 to \$12.50

Cellarettes

Golden Oak Cellarettes, complete with glasses—
Reduced from \$26 to \$21

Fumed Oak Cellarette with glasses—
Reduced from \$26.50 to \$21

Another Cellarette in fumed oak—
Reduced from \$22.50 to \$11.50

Chafing Dish Cabinet in golden oak, including chafing dish and complete outfit—
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Two large Library Arm Chairs in morocco leather, with solid mahogany legs.
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Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.

Gov. Walsh's Reception—More of the Brown and Walker Matters—Woman Suffrage—Speaker Cox Married—McCall and Cushing Rivalry—Walsh Wants Third Term.

BOSTON, February 22.—Washington's birthday has been celebrated in a manner gratifying to Gov. Walsh, for he counts much upon personal popularity. Though last year he beat the record of attendance, with 6819, yet this year he has distanced that by a large number, so that the record at the close of the reception to-day stood at 7890. There was not as much incident as usual, but the stream of visitors was constant and they moved rapidly. The list was so long that the time was extended 10 minutes, making a total from 10.30 to 1.10. Most of the attendance was of military organizations, and music was furnished by the Second Regiment band. There was nothing particularly noticeable as referring to the European war, though there were two organizations of young boys, some 200 to 300 each, evidently being given regular military training and some of them carried imitation muskets. These were Catholic societies, and it is a wonder that they were permitted by their superiors to appear in public after this manner, for it would seem as if persons of mature years would realize, in these days of supersensitiveness over the A. P. A. organization and the suspicion with which some people see anything Catholic, that it might provoke undesirable comment if it were permitted to appear that young Catholic boys are receiving training for military service. If there were less of this sort of training and if there were more evidence of a determination to train in things which make for peace, and if the government were spending money to educate for peace, the situation would be easier.

Partisan politics are coming to the front more than ever, and it is quite possible that there will be more friction than is desirable or necessary. Part of the fault lies with the governor in a seeming readiness to take up the cudgels for his views, when a little more investigation and forethought might dictate a different course. The Gerry Brown case, which seemed to be in a fair way of dropping out of sight because of the intervention of more important matters, has become suddenly important again because of a statement by the Democratic minority of the committee, which seems to be in reality the governor's own effort to get a return blow. The entire committee on rules made a report on the Brown case, exonerating him and giving him everything which he could desire. But, after it had been given to the press, the minority members came out with a statement of their position which seemed as if it were written in the governor's office. They charged that the majority did not have before them the witnesses on whom the governor relied in his removal of Brown. They made it seem as if the majority had suppressed some evidence of large importance and had conspired for the acquittal of Brown. But that was highly distasteful to the majority. They think that the minority has challenged them to do their worst and it is quite possible that the matter will be raked open again. Brown is absolutely confident that he can clear up everything connected with the charges against him, and he demands that everything possible against him be produced. On the other hand, the minority make insinuations which, if they are true, expose Brown to loss of his reputation. The end of this incident, therefore, is by no means in sight.

Regarding the Walker case, there has been made public, through the commission on economy and efficiency, the report upon which the governor acted when he removed Walker from the office of commissioner of the department of animal industry. The commission says that other things developed besides what is mentioned in the report, and that it was upon the strength of those statements that Walker was removed. Walker himself is supported by the large number of his friends in all parts of the state. They want to see just what the charges are and how Walker meets them. They have not the slightest doubt that Walker is all he seems to be. They have summered and wintered him until they feel very well acquainted. Representative Edward E. Chapman of Ludlow is one of the leaders in the matter. He made no objection to a postponement for further time, but has no doubt that the minority will try to get more time in order to exert pressure from Washington. The agricultural element is certain that Commissioner Walker was true to his duty and that he has done nothing which afforded the slightest solid reason for removing him from office. It is quite likely that there will be much politics in this before it comes to an end.

The woman suffrage matter now goes to the people. It has been given the constitutional two-thirds in the House and a majority in the Senate for the required two Legislatures in succession, and the Legislature's work with it is done. Yet, in spite of the vote of 196 to 83 by which it was agreed to in

the House on its final stage, it is probable that a majority of the House is against women's voting, just as it was in the Senate, where Senator Wells of Haverhill said that he knew personally that 27 who voted yes will vote no at the polls. Though there was much rejoicing by the women who are on that side of the question, yet there is a general expectation that the amendment will be beaten at the polls.

Speaker Cox was married last week and he left the chair in charge of Representative Henry E. Bothfield of Newton, who was the only other candidate for the speakership and who might have given Cox a close run if his business affairs had not finally compelled him to withdraw from the contest without making any fight at all. Cox has made a good beginning as speaker, keeping better order than Cushing and evidently trying to make a good impression all around. Bothfield, too, did well in the chair. But he is not a natural politician and it is hardly to be expected that he will continue long in political life, though this is his sixth consecutive year in the House and he was formerly mayor of Newton.

There is still much rivalry between Cushing and McCall for the first place on the Republican state ticket. If the matter were to be decided by a convention, after the former practice, there is little doubt that the result would be the renomination of the old ticket of McCall and Cushing. But the direct primary makes that impossible. Though it is true that the party leaders are largely for McCall, yet there is a large element for Cushing and, in the caucuses, it is still uncertain which will be the winner. There are McCall supporters who fear that Cushing will win. There is no doubt that the old A. P. A. influence counts for something for Cushing. McCall's recent utterance before the Lynn Republican club against any sectarianism in politics bore directly upon the issue and was doubtless designed to mark the difference between him and the lieutenant governor. Of course there is a general sentiment in the state against drawing race and religious lines in politics, but it is also true that Cushing got much support last fall from those who do draw the line, and the possibility that the same thing will occur again is what makes the Cushing candidacy a peril to McCall. Of course, under the circumstances, this contest between McCall and Cushing must retire one of them to private life.

Gov. Walsh really wants a third term. It is the custom of Massachusetts to give three years to governors who have done well, though the overthrow of Governors Bates and Draper at the end of their second year might seem to prove the contrary. Gov. Walsh has been represented as in doubt and as even reluctant to stand again. But there have been consultations between him and some of the Democratic leaders recently. Things are being smoothed out. He is the best candidate the party has to-day in sight and it looks as if the old differences would be healed sufficiently to permit the governor to run again.

But the way party politics are tending to-day, the governor will have a very hard task to be re-elected. By his treatment of Gerry Brown he has weakened his hold on the labor men. By his course toward Commissioner Walker he has alienated many friends among the farmers. It is impossible to tell what turn of affairs may take place to help him to a third term, but the prospect to-day is that the Republicans will win, whether their candidate be McCall or Cushing. National politics seem to be influencing the situation more than state politics, and hard times make votes for the Republicans.

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Two Ways.

Some people jump at conclusions; others are more leisurely in making their mistakes.—Pelican.

SUCCESS.

He who aims only at the lowest is sure never to attain to the highest, but is not unlikely to miss even the lowest.—Brownson.

Different Ways of Looking at It. Pessimist—The cost of living is terrible. Optimist—But it's worth the price.—Philadelphia Ledger.

She Knew the Other Things.

Church—You know there are things that money won't buy. Gotham—There are? "Certainly." "Well, I'll bet my wife don't know what they are."—Yonkers Statesman.

Crafty Guy.

She—How old would you say I was? He—About six years less than I thought.—Boston Transcript.

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PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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Fire Alarm, But No Damage.

An alarm was rung in from box 68 at 1.37 Tuesday afternoon for a smudge in the house of L. A. Fontaine on North Main street, but the services of the department were not needed, as the danger was over when the truck arrived, in just four minutes from the first tap of the bell. A rag which had been used to wipe up the kitchen range and then hung in a stairway later proved to be on fire, and the smoke working its way out into the room gave the occupants warning. Neighbors put the blaze, which was confined to the rag, out, and there was no damage.

Remains of Deer Found.

Deputy Game Warden Luman was notified a few days ago that the dead body of a deer had been found in an open field in the rear of the O'Neil farm near Blanchardville. The carcass had been badly torn by dogs, so much so that it was impossible to determine what had caused the animal's death, but Mr. Luman is of the opinion that it had been shot and wounded, and then overtaken and killed by dogs.

The public schools of the town will close to-morrow for a vacation of one week.

Miss Etta Wilson of Concord Junction spent the week-end with Palmer friends.

Howard Curtis of the Palmer National Bank spent the week-end in Providence, R. I.

Miss Katherine Denlinger of Pleasant street spent the week-end with Springfield friends.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Hart of Holbrook street have been visiting in Providence, R. I., recently.

Harry Hart of Tufts Dental School has been spending a few days at his home on Holbrook street.

Miss Alice Gager of Foster street has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Oliver Ferry of New Britain, Ct.

A large number of Palmer people attended the Shriner's ball in the Springfield Auditorium Monday evening.

The ladies of the Congregational church have changed the dates of their annual sale from March 2 and 3 to March 9 and 10.

Quabog council, Royal Arcanum, will hold a regular meeting next Tuesday evening, when Dr. G. A. Moore will deliver an address.

The Central Massachusetts Campground Association, which recently bargained with G. E. Buck for ground on North Main street on which to establish a campground, has secured the deed to the property, and it is expected that work will be commenced there as soon as the ground is in shape to permit it.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bodfish of Holbrook street had as guests over the week-end and holiday their daughter, Elizabeth, a teacher in Providence, their son Robert, a student at Clark University, Miss Luella Miller of Portchester, N. Y., Miss Margaret Crookes of Ravenswood, W. V., W. D. Seudder of Osterville and Albert W. Bailey of Amherst College.

Rev. H. F. Moulton of Portland, Me., a former pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church, will give an illustrated lecture in that church on Thursday evening of next week, speaking on Cuba, Jamaica, Costa Rica and the Panama Canal. The public is invited, and there will be no admission fee. Mr. Moulton is devoting his time to lecturing for the present, and has spoken before large audiences in numerous places.

The February English assembly of the high school was held last evening in Memorial Hall. Despite the unfavorable weather there was a good attendance. The committee took great pains to prepare a pleasing program, which seemed to be thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. All the participants did well. Besides the regular speakers and musicians a short play, "The Soldier's Reprieve," dramatized by Miss Myrtle McVicker from the story by R. D. C. Robbins, was an additional feature of the program.

Will Observe Go-to-Church Sunday.

The churches of the town have decided to observe "Go-to-Church Sunday" every Sunday in March. The children are to invite and welcome the first Sunday, the young people on the second, the women on the third and the men on the fourth. In this way it is hoped to secure a larger attendance even than might be expected to greet Billy Sunday.

Church Gets a Bequest.

The Second Congregational church received last week a check for \$100 from the executor of the estate of the late Mrs. Frances T. Blanchard, it being a bequest to the church in memory of her husband, Franklin Blanchard, one of the original members of the church.

S. W. Lyon has been attending the national hardware exhibit in Boston this week.

The Woman's Tuesday Club will meet next week with Mrs. G. A. Rice of Pleasant street.

Raymond Wilder of Brown University has been visiting at his home on Pine street for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Holbrook attended the Channing Cox-Young wedding at Brookline recently.

Howard Nickerson of the Central Massachusetts Electric Co. spent the week-end at his home in Milton.

Miss Frances Chandler of Mount Holyoke College spent the holiday recess at her home on Squier street.

The Palmer Ministers' Club will meet in the Union church in Three Rivers next Tuesday afternoon at 3.30.

Cyrus W. Cross camp, Sons of Veterans, will have an inspection in Memorial Hall next Wednesday evening.

Miss Ruth Connor of Mount Holyoke College was a guest of her sister, Mrs. E. C. Gould of Holbrook street, over the holiday.

Miss Marjorie Green and Wallace Green of Holyoke were guests Sunday and Monday of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Gamwell of Foster street.

Francis Barton of the Williams College faculty spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Barton of North Main street.

Rev. F. W. Bisbee, D. D., of Boston, editor of the "Universalist Leader," will occupy the pulpit of St. Paul's Universalist church Sunday morning.

Rev. H. F. Moulton of Biddeford, Me., a former pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church, called on friends here last week. Mr. Moulton has been given a call to the Universalist church in Fort Plain, N. Y.

At the opera house next Monday evening will be shown "The Brute," a Paramount all-star feature, with Malcolm Williams in the leading part. Tuesday evening "Zudora" will be shown, and Wednesday evening the "Million Dollar Mystery."

The Heweha campfire girls met Monday evening at the home of Rev. Eric Allen. Thirteen of the girls were initiated to the Woodgatherer's rank. The girls discussed a contemplated camping trip for next summer and planned a girls' chorus to be formed in the near future.

The Pure Food Store in the Nassawanno block, which was opened about a year and a half ago, has changed hands and will be under the management of Cook and Thompson, the members of the firm being Edgar W. Cook of Wales and E. L. Thompson, for the past seven years a clerk for E. B. Taylor.

Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, has been invited to attend an entertainment and social given by Adelphi chapter of Springfield under the auspices of J. W. Hannum chapter of Ludlow in Stevens Memorial Hall in Ludlow to-morrow evening. Supper will be served in Masonic Hall at 6 o'clock. The price of the supper will be 20 cents, and of the entertainment 25 cents.

The annual meeting of the Young Men's Library Association is called for next Monday evening in the reference room of the library at 8 o'clock. In the call are notices of two proposed changes in the constitution and by-laws. It is proposed to change the date of the annual meeting from the first Monday in March to the first Monday in January, and that changes in the constitution may be made by a majority instead of a two-thirds vote.

The directors of the association for district nursing will hold a meeting next Monday afternoon with Mrs. Ellen Leach of Church street. The directors are much pleased with the results of their recent food sales in Palmer and Three Rivers, the former netting \$26 and the latter \$24. A sale will be held later in Thorndike.

In the district court Tuesday morning Albert Capen of the Forest Lake district was charged with violation of the school laws in that he did not send his son James to school. The case was continued until Saturday. James A. Bennett of Monson was charged with an assault on John L. West; the case was placed on file. Sophia S. Stokorska of Three Rivers was charged with trespassing on the property of the Central Vermont railroad company by crossing its bridge over the river. She pleaded that she could not read the trespass signs and did not know she was doing wrong; the case was placed on file.

Close Season on Rabbits and Pickerel.

Rabbit hunters and pickerel fishermen will do well to make the most of the few days remaining in which they are permitted to indulge in these sports. The law protects hares and rabbits after Saturday, and pickerel after Sunday. The closed season on pickerel will last only two months however, and they may be taken again after May 1.

Robert B. Jackson of West Brookfield and Anna L. Bancroft of Monson were married at the Congregational parsonage last evening by Rev. Eric Allen.

The Legislative committee on railroads has reported a bill extending to August 1, 1916, the time limit for the completion of the Southern New England railroad.

The dancing school of Miss Cressie Eames of Springfield for instruction in the modern dances, which was to have begun last evening in Memorial Hall, was postponed until this evening.

Mrs. A. M. Dimock of Pine street has returned from Leominster, where she has been the guest of Mrs. F. W. Bowman, who was formerly Mrs. Hattie Perkins of Palmer, and well known here.

The Junior Endeavor Society of the Congregational church has elected these officers: President, Richard L. Jones; vice president, Kenneth Richards; secretary, Helen Weeks; treasurer, Ella Labelle.

The glee club of the Y. M. C. A. College of Springfield will sing at the Sunday evening service in the Congregational church. The address will be by Rev. Dr. Rockwell Harmon Potter, pastor of the Center church of Hartford, Ct.

Nearly all the snow and ice disappeared from the business section of Main street the latter part of last week. The dust began to blow on the brick paving Saturday and Superintendent of Streets Brainerd put a gang at work sweeping up the accumulations of the winter.

Lenten services were held in the Baptist church Tuesday and last evenings, and will continue this and to-morrow evenings. The speaker is Dr. Joseph Sullivan of Springfield. A bulletin announcing the services, placed in front of the church Monday, was removed during the night and placed in front of St. Thomas' church.

The Auld Lang Syne Club of Palmer Center held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Fred Collis on Thursday of last week. A fine dinner was enjoyed by the members present. These officers were elected: President, Anna M. Collis; secretary, Carrie M. Talmadge of Springfield; treasurer, Minnie M. Corey.

The Palmer Historical Society will hold its regular meeting in the reference room of the public library next Tuesday evening at 7.30. Mrs. W. H. Fuller will read a paper on the Navajo Indians of Ship Rock Agency, New Mexico. This paper was postponed from the last meeting on account of the storm. The paper will be worthy of a full attendance, and the public will be cordially welcomed.

Mrs. H. A. Northrop of Central street, whose cottages at Nine-mile pond in North Wilbraham were broken into during the winter, has been able to recover much of the stolen property through the arrest in Springfield Tuesday night of Peter James, at whose home was found a large amount of property stolen from many places. After the police of Springfield are through with him he will be brought to Palmer for trial, the breaks at Wilbraham coming within the jurisdiction of the court here.

Couldn't Then.

"I would like mightily to enjoy riches."
"Then why don't you try to marry 'em?"
"As I said, I want to enjoy 'em."—Kansas City Times.

No Use.

When you fail to wind up your time-piece there is no use to swear next morning like a pirate when you discover that it has served as one of the silent watches of the night.—New Orleans States.

How He Broke the News.

"A relative of mine that I never saw before came to the house last night."
"Never saw before, eh? What's his name?"
"He hasn't got any yet, but we intend to christen him William."—Puck.

Anticipatory People.

"I really dislike to talk to her. She has such a habit of finishing one's sentences for one. You have met her kind?"
"Yes; they listen faster than you can talk to them."—Chicago News.

The Usual Thing.

"What's the proper thing at a wedding?"
"Wish the pair happiness and tell everybody else there's no earthly chance for it."—Louisville Courier Journal.

Good Advice.

William—I must speak, but I'm so furred! James—Bill, collect yourself.—Baltimore American.

Deadheads.

Exactly how our language came into possession of the word "deadhead," which is so frequently used in connection with the transportation business, is not known. Of the many versions of its origin which are current the following whether correct or not, is at least the most interesting:

Many years ago the principal avenue of a town passed close to the entrance of a toll road leading to a cemetery. As this cemetery had been laid out some time previous to the construction of the road, it was arranged that all funeral processions should be allowed to pass along the road free of toll. One day, as a well known physician who was driving along this road stopped to pay his toll, he observed to the keeper, "Considering the benevolent character of our profession, I think you ought to let us pass free of charge."

"No, no, doctor," said the gatekeeper, "we can't afford that. You send too many deadheads through as it is." The story traveled around the country, and in this way the word "deadhead" eventually came to be applied to those who obtain free transportation from railway and steamship lines.—New York American.

Insects That Carry Diseases.

Sir Donald Ross, who discovered how the anopheles or mottled winged mosquito carries malaria, gave in a lecture an account of other diseases that are carried by insects or bugs. Mosquitoes carry not only malaria, but yellow fever, dengue fever and elephantiasis. Glossina morsitans is the carrying agent of the tropical disease known as magana, while isotope flies are the cause of sleeping sickness.

The spirochaetes of tick fever are borne by ticks, and a mild fever is conveyed by sand flies. Plague is due to the rat flea, which carries the parasites in the salivary glands and leaves them in the flesh of whomsoever it bites. Mediterranean fever is carried principally by the milk of infected goats. Leprosy has been attributed to bedbugs, and some are even beginning to think that measles is due to fleas.—London Opinion.

A Gladstone Anecdote.

Lord Alverstone tells this anecdote of Gladstone in his "Recollections": "Mr. Gladstone was very much interested in the Caucasus. I had a friend, Captain X., who had recently come home from that district, and I gave him a letter of introduction to Mr. Gladstone. A few days later I met Mr. Gladstone in Parliament street. He stopped me and said, 'Your friend, Captain X., knows more about the Caucasus than any man I ever met.' A few minutes afterward I met Captain X. in Pall Mall. I said to him, 'Well, you have made a great impression on Mr. Gladstone. Have I?' he said, 'Yes, I replied. He says you know more about the Caucasus than any man he ever met.' 'Well,' said Captain X., 'that is very strange, for, though I was with him for three-quarters of an hour, I only made three observations.'"

Fine Encouragement.

Willie was of an economical turn of mind. He called upon Elizabeth many times before he bought her a box of candy. At last he loosened up and bought an eighty cent pound box.

That evening his brother noticed that he had a frown on and asked the trouble.

"That blamed old cur ate half of that box of eighty cent candy," he said, referring to Elizabeth's Scotch collie.

The next time he bought candy he bought, in addition to another eighty cent pound box, a bag of ten cent store candy for the dog.

"Oh, William!" said Elizabeth. "How thoughtful of you! I am so glad that you and Rover are becoming friends!"—New York Globe.

Family Pride.

Mrs. Blunt—Well, Louisa, I don't suppose you will attempt to deny that your original ancestors were stone age ruffians who lived in a damp cave.

Mrs. Tree—If my earliest ancestors were a part of the geologic period of which you speak they must have had a red sandstone chateau of their own on Flinthead avenue, with stalactite decorations and running water on the first floor!—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The Critic.

"How do you like the meter of my poem?" asked the poet when the magazine editor had finished reading it.
"There is plenty of gas in the thing, but I'm hanged if I can see any meter!" replied the heartless editor.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Explanation.

"How could two such silent people ever do their courting?"
"Well, she has such a speaking countenance."
"But what about him?"
"Oh, his money talks."—Baltimore American.

Denied It.

"So you told Brown that you'd heard stories to my discredit?"
"I did not. What I told him was that I'd never heard any stories to your credit."—Exchange.

Not Sitting.

Friend—I've noticed Cutts, the tailor, going up to your studio every day for a week. Is he sitting for you? Artist—No; he's laying for me.—Boston Transcript.

In labor, as in life, there can be no cheating. The thief steals from himself. The swindler swindles himself.—Emerson.

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High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

The school will close to-morrow for a week's vacation.

There was no school Monday, as it was Washington's Birthday.

Almost all of the February monthly examinations have been held.

The teachers held a meeting Tuesday afternoon to decide on the department marks for the month of February.

The March issue of the school paper, "The Palmer," has gone to press, and will be ready for distribution early next term.

Principal Hurley attended the meeting of the State Head Masters Club in Boston last Saturday and spent the week-end with Boston relatives.

Many pupils went to Springfield Sunday afternoon to hear Mary Antin's lecture, which was a disappointment to many however, because on account of illness the speaker was unable to make herself heard.

There will be a basketball game to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock in Union Hall, Thorndike, when the high school team will play the Amherst A. C., and a close and interesting game is expected. Probably, for a preliminary game, the Senior and Sophomore team and the Junior and Freshman team, who played a tie game last Friday evening, will play again.

HALF AWAKE.

The human individual lives usually far within his limits. He possesses powers of various sorts, which he habitually fails to use. He energizes below his maximum, and he behaves below his optimum. * * *

Compared with what we ought to be, we are only half awake. Our fires are damped; our drafts are checked. We are making use of only a small part of our possible mental and physical resources.—

Professor William James.

An Amiable Violinist.

Robert Browning and Joachim met one evening at a friendly gathering in London. The violinist had "obliged" without satisfying certain ladies, who entreated the poet to obtain from him another solo. Browning, feeling the delicacy of his task, discharged it diplomatically and spoke, as sometimes he wrote, so as to conceal his thoughts, while the violinist, not understanding, bowed and smiled and did not play.

As they left the house Joachim asked, "What did you mean just now?"

"Oh," said the poet, "I wanted you to give us some more music."

"Then why did you not come and say, 'Joe, old boy, give us another tune?'" returned the amiable violinist.

Showers of Meteors.

The most brilliant display of meteors ever seen in the United States was on Nov. 13, 1866. The shower commenced about 11:30 p. m., with the appearance at brief intervals of single meteors; then they came in twos and threes, steadily and rapidly increasing in number till 1:30 a. m., when no fewer than fifty-seven appeared in one minute. The shower ceased about 4 a. m. Other notable star showers occurred on Nov. 12, 1709; Nov. 13, 1832; Nov. 14, 1867; Nov. 16, 1868, and Nov. 27, 1872.

The Poorest Scholar Imaginable.

The other day a professor leaving the university was approached by a seedy individual, who pathetically asked: "Won't you help a poor scholar with a dime?"

The coin bestowed, the learned man said:

"You tell me you are a poor scholar?"

"Sure," answered the other. "I never went to school in my life. So long."

Pretty Hopeful.

"I like the way Fairleigh faces things. He's so wonderfully hopeful."

"Hopeful! I should say he was. What do you suppose he's doing now?"

"Dunno."

"Why, he's getting up a program for the celebration of the anniversary of the first hundred years of universal peace."—Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

Still the Same.

He—Miss Onceyounger doesn't seem to change much with the years. She—Well, it isn't for want of trying. She has endeavored to change everything from the color of her hair to her last name.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Don't Mention It.

Sapphead—You saved me from being killed by that auto. I owe my life to you. How shall I ever repay you?

Stouten—Young man, don't let trifling debts like that worry you.—Life.

Not Overjoyed.

Caller (to the little miss of four)—Well, Dorothy, I hear that your grandmamma is coming home today. You'll be very glad, won't you?

Dorothy (serious and considering)—Medium.—Chicago Tribune.

Figures of Speech.

Gotcha—I ran into a burglar last night.

Jake—How'd he manage to get away from you?

Gotcha—He went through me.—Dartmouth Jack O' Lantern.

Sporting News.

BASKETBALL.

Bondsville Wins From Monson.

Monson led, 15 to 10, at the end of the first half with Bondsville at Thorndike last Thursday evening, but was beaten in the last half, the final score being 27 to 21. The game was rather rough. The work of Garvey of Bondsville was the best of the aggregation. Line-up:

Bondsville A. C. Monson A. C.
Keyes, 11. r. g. Erickson
Albro, 11. f. g. Bourke
Monat, 11. c. Hillard
Macee, 11. g. r. Griffin
Garvey, 11. g. r. Cahill
Score, Bondsville 27, Monson 21. Goals from floor, Keyes 3, Monat 2, Albro, Macee, Garvey 4, Hillard, Griffin, Cahill 7. Goals from fouls, Griffin 3, Garvey 2, Albro, Releree, McCann of Ware, Timers, Gay and Faulkner. Time, 20-minute halves. Attendance, 150.

Palmer High Loses—Margin Narrow.

The spectators at last Friday night's high school basketball game were treated to the closest game of the year. On Palmer's home floor at Union Hall, Thorndike, the Smith Aggies of Northampton obtained a victory over the locals by the narrow margin of two points. Palmer got the jump on the visitors at the start and held the lead for the most of the game. The first half ended with Palmer's score nearly double that of the visitors, 19 to 10. In the second half Smith Aggie made such a strong rally that they steadily decreased Palmer's lead and in the last few minutes of play won the game. Enthusiasm, both on the part of the players and spectators, reached a higher pitch than at any other game this season. The play was rather rough during the last half. Curtain featured for the visitors and Albro for the locals. In a preliminary game, a team composed of Sophomores and Seniors played a quintet of Freshmen and Juniors to a tie. The attendance was large. The line-ups were as follows:

Smith Aggies. Palmer High.
Hood, 11. f. g. Martin
Sullivan, 11. f. g. Keefe
Cortwell, 11. c. Monat, Brosnan
McClintum, 11. g. r. Albro
Curtain, 11. g. r. Macee, 11. g. r.
Score: Smith 23, Palmer, 21. Goals from floor, Albro 4, Macee 2, Monat 2, Hood 2, Sullivan 2, McClintum 2, Curtain 2, Keefe. Goals on free tries, Albro 3, Sullivan, Curtain 6. Free tries missed, Albro 8, Sullivan 3, Curtain 2. Releree, Bannister. Time, 20 minute halves.

Seniors and Soph. Fresh. and Juniors
Sullivan, 11. f. g. White
Hood, 11. f. g. Huling
McDonald, 11. c. McKellogg
Fitzgerald, 11. g. r. Hughes
Rice, McCarthy, 11. g. r. 11. Davis
Score: Seniors 14, Juniors 14. Goals from floor, Sullivan 5, Hughes, Huling. Goals on free tries, Hughes 10, Sullivan 2, McDonald 2. Releree, Kiley. Time, 12-minute halves.

Belchertown Wins From Thorndike.

The Thorndike A. C. team was defeated by Belchertown town team, 31 to 9, at Thorndike Saturday night. The score was 24 to 7 in favor of the visitors at the end of the first half. Harwood was best man for the visitors, with Albro starring for Thorndike. Line-up:

Belchertown. Thorndike A. C.
Hause, 11. f. g. Mongeau, Brosnan
Shaw, 11. f. g. Cahill
Girge, 11. c. Doyle
L. G. Harwood, 11. g. r. Sullivan
Austin, 11. g. r. Albro
Score, Belchertown 31, Thorndike A. C. 9. Goals from floor, Hause 3, Harwood 8, Austin, Gage, Doyle, Albro 2, Sullivan, Curtain 6. Goals from fouls, Callahan, Garvey, Releree, Whalen. Time, 20-minute halves.

Bondsville Gets Second Game With Ware.

In a fast and closely-contested game in Thorndike Tuesday night Bondsville won the second game of a two-in-three series from Ware, Ware having won the first. The end of the first half saw Ware in the lead, 14 to 6. Bondsville showed good work in the second half however, bringing the score up to 20 to 18 at the end. Garvey did the best work for Bondsville, McCann featuring for Ware. Whalen's work as referee was decidedly satisfactory. Line-up:

Bondsville. Ware.
Keyes, 11. f. g. W. McCann
Callahan, 11. f. g. Brosnan
Whittaker, 11. c. Nevilles
Garvey, 11. g. r. 11. E. McCann
Albro, 11. g. r. 11. March
Score, Bondsville 20, Ware 18. Goals from floor, Keyes 4, Callahan 4, Whittaker, Garvey, Albro, W. McCann 3, Brosnan 2, Nevilles 3, Morris. Goals from fouls, Callahan, Garvey, Releree, Whalen. Time, 20-minute halves.

There was a preliminary game composed of Palmer employees, and the team from the Ware and West Brookfield line, the former winning, 10 to 6. Line-up:

Springfield St. Ry. Ware and Brookfield.
Gleason, 11. f. g. Grise
Farrell, 11. f. g. Barrett
Edmunds, 11. c. O'Brien
Allen, 11. g. r. 11. Kelly
Donahue, 11. g. r. 11. Gervais
Score, Springfield 10, Ware and Brookfield 6. Goals from floor, Kelly 3, Edmunds 2, Allen. Goals from fouls, Callahan, Garvey, Releree, Nevilles and Brosnan. Time, 20-minute halves.

Monson Pool Players Win Again.

Monson pool players still lead in the 2500 ball match with Thorndike, adding seven more to their count in the match in Thorndike Monday night. The total score is now Monson 2361, Thorndike 2199. The feature of Monday night's contest was the match between Purcell of Monson and Fountain of Thorndike, the former winning by the narrow margin of four balls, 75 to 71. The scores:

Monson	Thorndike
Purcell, 75	Fountain, 71
Manning, 75	T. Butler, 67
Battles, 75	Gebro, 56
Faulkner, 75	M. Butler, 48
Giffen, 75	Walker, 48
Neville, 43	Brooks, 45
399	392

Tried to Convert the Sultan.

The first Englishwoman to have speech with a sultan of Turkey was Mary Fisher, a Quakeress, who, in 1857, undertook to convert the commander of the faithful to Christianity. She traveled by water to Smyrna and then tramped to Adrianople, about 600 miles away, where Mohammed IV. was encamped with his army. After many attempts, Mary found some one bold enough to tell the grand vizier that "a woman was come who had something to declare from the great God to the sultan." He arranged for an audience with his master, at which three dragomans were in attendance as interpreters, and Mohammed was so impressed with what he heard that, while unwilling to become a Christian, he desired that Mary should stay in his dominions. When she insisted on returning, he offered her an escort, adding, "I would not for anything that you should come to the least hurt." She got back safely to England and was honored ever after among her fellow Quakers as "she that spake to the Grand Turk."—London Chronicle.

Russians Like "Paradise Lost."

How many English soldiers, one wonders, have read "Paradise Lost"? Mr. Maurice Baring, when in Russia, found that nearly every soldier he met knew it well. "When a few years ago a schoolmaster in the Tambov government told me that 'Paradise Lost' was the most popular book in the village library," he writes, "I was astonished and thought it an isolated instance. At a fair in Moscow during passion week * * * I noticed that there were five or six different editions of translations of Milton's poem, with illustrations, ranging in price from 12 rubles to 30 kopeks, and while I was looking at one of them a moujik came up to me and advised me to buy it. 'It's very interesting,' he said. 'It makes one laugh and cry.' * * * It is possible to purchase 'Paradise Lost' at almost every village booth."—London Graphic.

Making the Ghost Visible.

Comparing the stage conveniences of the present day with the makeshifts existing a generation ago, Robert Mait told of the inconveniences of his early experience as the ghost in "Hamlet."

"One night I was playing the part of the ghost," he says, "and as I was not very certain of myself the stage manager had the lamps turned down unusually low. As a matter of fact, they were so low that while I was on the stage they went out. Of course, they had to be lighted again, and the stage manager sent out a stage hand to do it. I had to remain where I was, and the ghost's funeral lines were recited while a man in civilian clothes slowly and painstakingly made his way across the darkened stage, lighting the lamps as he went."

Sydney Smith on War.

Sydney Smith found humor in most things, but none in war. In the Edinburgh Review of a century ago he wrote: "If three men were to have their legs and arms broken and were to remain all night exposed to the inclemency of the weather the whole country would be in a state of the most dreadful agitation! Look at the wholesale death of a battlefield—ten acres covered with dead and dying, and the shrieks and agonies of many thousands of human beings! There is more misery inflicted upon mankind by one year of war than by all the civil peculations and oppressions of a century." And he added that it was the business of wise and good men to set themselves against the spirit that produced wars—"this passion for military glory."

To Remove Adhesive Plasters.

Every one who has had occasion to use adhesive plaster is familiar with the line of adherent, discolored material that is left on the skin around the edges of the plaster when the strip is removed. This adherent substance resists scrubbing with soap and all ordinary means of removal. Even scraping with a knife fails to remove the grime and stickiness completely. But a few drops of gasoline, benzine, ether or chloroform on a piece of cloth will remove the stain as if by magic. The basis of adhesive plaster is rubber, and the four substances mentioned are rubber solvents.—Los Angeles News.

In the Dumps.

There was once an Egyptian king, so it is said, who built a pyramid and died of melancholy. His name was Du mops, yet there are probably few persons who know that they are perpetuating the memory of his tragic history when they remark that they are "in the dumps."

A Trouble Maker.

"What sort of a fellow is he?"
"A trouble maker."
"He seems peaceable enough."
"I know, but he's the sort of a blundering chap that denies all the ingenious lies you've told your wife."—Detroit Free Press.

Considerate.

"The most considerate wife I ever heard of," said the philosopher, "was a woman who used to date all her letters a week or so ahead to allow her husband time to post them."

Pretty Thin.

"Thin" replied the man who was talking about a mutual acquaintance. "Well, he's so thin that when he eats macaroni he can only swallow it one piece at a time!"

Mexican Pineapple.

One kind of Mexican pineapple, known as the cayenne, is entirely free from spines, and the flesh is remarkably tender and juicy.

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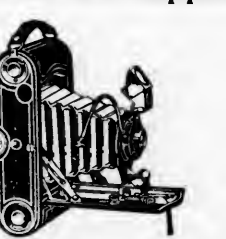
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THORNDIKE.

Miss Marion Davis is able to be out after being confined by illness.

Mrs. Lucy Bishop of Hartford, Ct., visited friends here the first of the week.

The oldest son of Mrs. Peter Cadieux is a patient at the Mercy Hospital, Springfield.

Several basketball fans will go to Monson to-night to attend the game in Memorial Hall.

Patrick Sullivan of Amherst was a guest of his brother, B. J. Sullivan, and family on Monday.

Henry LaQuin and family of Palmer have moved to the Jeremiah Lynch house on the Palmer road.

Michael Moran of Spencer spent the first two days of the week in town as a guest of his sisters and brother.

John F. Luman Jr. passed the holiday with his sister, Mrs. E. V. Sullivan and family in Springfield.

Miss Agnes Dullahan of Hartford has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Dullahan, the past week.

Last Saturday R. B. Wakeman took the Boy Scouts of the First church for a hike to West Warren and Ware.

Mrs. Fountaine and grandson, Louis, of Greenfield, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Rudden of Commercial street.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Lamery returned Saturday from their honeymoon trip, and are living on Main street.

Peter Gernon has commenced the erection of a six-room bungalow on land recently purchased from Packard Trumble.

Miss Mildred St. George and Miss Ida Durant of Warren passed Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William St. George.

Daniel O'Connor of South Hadley Falls was a guest Sunday of his daughter, Mrs. K. T. Loftus of Commercial street.

Charles Fountain, wine clerk at the Burns Hotel, Palmer, has been confined to his home here for several days on account of illness.

Rev. J. E. Enman attended the meeting of the Connecticut Valley Congregational Club in the First church, Holyoke Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Medrie Fountain of Fiskdale and Miss Ferrault of Easthampton have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Camille Perrault during the week.

The annual concert and whist party of St. Mary's parish will take place on Wednesday evening, March 17, preparations for which are already under way.

Division 15, A. O. H., held a meeting in Temperance Hall Sunday afternoon which was well attended. Speakers were present from Springfield and Holyoke.

Rev. P. J. Griffin entertained during the early part of the week Rev. John Byrnes and Rev. Howard Miller of Pennsylvania. They returned home Monday.

There was a large attendance at the basketball game here Saturday evening between Bondsville and Enfield. The game was close and exciting, being won by the visitors.

The weekly Lenten sermons at St. Mary's church will be held on Tuesday evening, Rev. Fr. Murphy of Chicopee being the speaker. The "Way of the Cross" services will be held Friday evenings at 7.30.

Washington's Birthday was observed on Monday in the usual way. The public and parochial schools were not in session. Flags were displayed from many houses and places of business. The stores and mills were in operation during the day.

The funeral of Mrs. Conroy was held from St. Mary's church Saturday morning at 9.30. Rev. P. J. Griffin was celebrant of the mass of requiem. Solos were sung by Miss May Moynahan. Burial was in St. Thomas' cemetery, Thorndike.

The following out-of-town people have been guests here during the week: Miss Julia and Katherine Daley, the Misses Downs of Boston, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Burns and family of Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Smith and Miss Nellie Fleming of Springfield, John Burns and family of Fitchburg.

Spring has begun to show itself during the past few days in some unmistakable ways. Some farmers have tapped their maple trees and the sap has been running in good shape. This is a month earlier than usual. Some of the trees are beginning to bud, muskrats are seen swimming in the Ware river, and various birds are appearing from the South.

Next Sunday morning Rev. J. E. Enman will preach on "Living Evidences of Christianity," and in the evening he will give the fifth lecture- sermon on "Famous Congregationalists," his subject being, "Lyman Beecher: a Prophet of Modern Humanism." Sunday school meets at noon.

BONDVILLE.

Observe Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Austin of South Belchertown observed their 25th wedding anniversary last Thursday. They were married in the Sacred Heart church, Holyoke, by Rev. P. B. Phelan. Mr. and Mrs. Austin have resided in Belchertown for the past 25 years. They have 11 children, John S., a druggist in Boston, Francis M., a student in the Grand Rapids veterinary college, Mary M. and Lillian A., commercial teachers, Alice, Helen and Catherine, students in the Belchertown high school, and William, Paul, Louis and Joseph, pupils in the lower grades.

Lucas S. Welch is nursing a Mr. Carter, living on the Ware road.

Miss Augusta Dunakin of Ludlow spent Friday with Mrs. Anna Parent.

Miss Mildred Hartwell has been a recent guest of her parents in Barnstable.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Herald of Palmer spent Wednesday with Mrs. Emma Canterbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Adelard Murray are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Friday.

Miss Irene Charron spent Saturday with her uncle, Hubert Charron, in Indian Orchard.

Misses Mary Cavanaugh and Gertrude Sullivan spent the holiday at their homes here.

William Clifford of Milford was a holiday guest of his sister, Miss Catherine Clifford.

Miss Alice E. Bannister spent the holiday with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Vaughn in Sturbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Russell of Springfield spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Russell.

Joseph Dube, who is doing contract work in Chicopee Falls, was a guest Sunday of his family here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Buffington of Palmer spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Chester Canterbury.

Miss Florence Robertson of Barre was a guest the latter part of the week of her cousin, Miss Geneva Billings.

Mrs. R. L. Bond of Palmer and Mrs. Rees Richards of Northampton visited Friday with Mrs. John Green.

Miss Catherine Murphy of Amherst is spending the week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy.

Mrs. Matthew McKenzie and daughter, and Mrs. Burt Collis of Thorndike were guests Thursday of Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.

Camille Fuller of Amherst College was a guest over the holiday of his friend, J. Lawrence Martin, at the parsonage.

Mrs. Gertrude Steele of East Harwich came Saturday to spend a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adelard Marsan.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fauteux of Athol were guests Washington's Birthday of his mother, Mrs. Mary Fauteux and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Keith and son Kenneth of Stafford, Ct., were guests over the holiday of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. John McGrath and daughter, Miss Eileen, of Ludlow, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chapman.

The Western Star held a meeting Tuesday afternoon with Miss Dorothea McVieker. The next meeting will be with Miss Eileen Loy.

Martin Fitzgerald, who has been spending a week with his mother, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald, returned Wednesday to his work in New York city.

Miss Mary Murphy has returned to her position on the nurses' staff of the Boston City Hospital after visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Murphy.

Mrs. Leo Charron and daughter, Miss Mabel Charron, and Mrs. S. H. Ramsden spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Charron in Indian Orchard.

F. E. Albro spent the week-end with friends in Providence, R. I., and Boston. While in the latter place on Monday he attended a meeting of the Hardware Association.

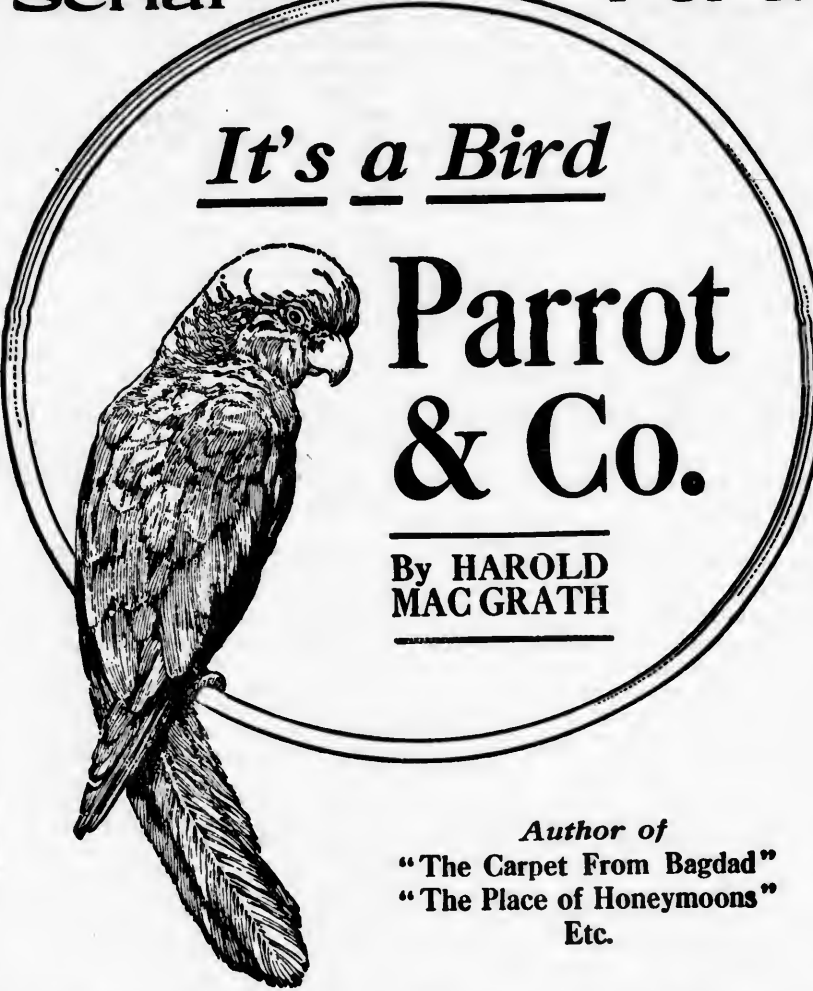
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Washington's Birthday passed very quietly. The factories were closed, but most of the stores were kept open. The post office observed the usual holiday hours.

Dr. Daniel Sullivan and wife, former residents of this village, are expected to come this week from their present home in Galloway, Canada, to visit his brother, Michael R. Sullivan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Potter and daughter, Miss Barbara, of Springfield, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro, as were also Mr. and Mrs. John Hearne and family of Palmer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Holden and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon C. Faunce attended the ball of Melba Temple, Mystic Shriners, held in the Auditorium in Springfield Monday night.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon in the church vestry. These ladies will serve: Mrs. Adelard Marsan, Mrs. T. C. Martin, Mrs. William H. Morse, Mrs. Anna Parent, Mrs. Charles Sharatt.

A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lamb, daughters Pearl and Emma and sons Harold and Elmer, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Canterbury and daughter Ardella, Mrs. Emma Canterbury, son Herbert and daughter Violet, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Canterbury and Robert McLeod attended a surprise party given to William Hurst at his home in Monson in honor of his birthday last Thursday evening.

The annual flap-jack supper, given by the men of the M. E. church Friday, was a great success both financially and socially. A large number were present to do justice to the excellent supper and to enjoy the entertainment. The supper consisted of flap-jacks made by the "Olde Boys," cold meats, mashed potatoes, cake, etc. After the supper, a pleasing entertainment was rendered, consisting of singing by "Ye Olde Boys," piano and violin solos by Harry Castledine and Herbert Canterbury respectively. The magic of C. D. Holden was immensely enjoyed, and his several "tricks," brought forth great applause.

THREE RIVERS.

Death of Mrs. John Conroy.

Another of the old inhabitants of this village passed away last week Wednesday evening about 11 o'clock, when Mrs. John Conroy of the Belchertown road died at her home after an illness of several weeks. She is survived by her husband, John Conroy, and one daughter, Miss Nellie, who is employed by the George Nye Co., Springfield. Mrs. Conroy was well known by all. She has acted as nurse for a number of years past and was very active until taken with the illness which led to her death. She leaves behind a large circle of friends who deeply regret her death. The funeral was held Saturday morning at St. Mary's church in Thorndike, with burial in St. Thomas' cemetery at Palmer Center. The floral tributes were many and beautiful. A large number of out-of-town relatives and friends were in town for the funeral.

Miss Grace Walsh spent the holiday at her home in Westfield. The schools of this village close tomorrow for a week's vacation.

The meeting of the night school was omitted Monday, it being a holiday. Samuel Dupuis and sons spent Sunday as guests of relatives in Indian Orchard.

Clifford Geer of Tufts College spent the week-end at his home on Belchertown road.

Mrs. Minnie Gerald of Springfield visited friends in this village the last of the week.

Mrs. Joseph Kerigan of Ware was the guest of Mrs. J. F. Twiss of Springfield Tuesday.

Edward Hooper of Boston spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Sarah Fenton of Springfield street.

John Hartnett of the Boston School of Pharmacy spent the holiday vacation at his home on Main street.

Miss Irene Ritchie of Springfield was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frame of Maple street.

A St. Patrick's supper will be served in Pickering Hall next Tuesday at 6.30 by the Ladies' Aid Society of the U. E.

church. The committee in charge consists of Mrs. T. D. Frame, Mrs. H. D. Geer, Mrs. A. S. Geer, Mrs. F. E. Higgins, Mrs. George Moore and Mrs. S. O. Miller.

Mary McCullough has been seriously ill with pneumonia the past week at the home of her parents on Athol street.

Miss Nellie Fogarty of Amherst spent Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs. D. Fogarty of Bourne street.

Cornelius Foley of Worcester visited his mother, Mrs. John Foley, at her home on Springfield street the last of the week.

Miss Hannah Foley of Monson was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. John F. Twiss of Springfield street, the first of the week.

Misses Elizabeth and Sarah Gates of Maynard were guests of their aunt, Mrs. Sarah Fenton of Springfield street, Sunday.

Miss Rachel Shaw and Miss Bertha Pulsifer of Springfield were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Shaw of Main street.

Mrs. Edward Nolan of Chester was in town the last of the week, called here by the death of her aunt, Mrs. John Conroy.

Matthew Horgan of Holyoke spent the last of the week at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Horgan of Main street.

E. N. Brown of Nashua, N. H., formerly of this village, was a week-end guest of Peter Manzer at the Riverside Hotel.

Miss Frances Hartnett of Springfield visited Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Thomas Hartnett of Belchertown road.

Samuel Swain of Windsor, Ct., was a guest the last of the week of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Swain of School street.

Miss Sarah Bothwell of Westfield Normal School is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Palmer street.

Daniel Horgan of Holy Cross College, Worcester, spent the holiday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Horgan of Main street.

Miss Alice Turkington and Miss Dudley of Smith College were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turkington of Andover avenue.

Mrs. John Keating of West Warren has returned to her home after spending the week-end with her sister, Mrs. William McCullough of Athol street.

Miss Martha Buzzell, principal of the grammar school, has gone to Washington, D. C., where she will make an extended visit with her sister.

Supt. C. H. Hobson has been substituting as principal of the grammar school during the absence of Miss Buzzell, who has been acting principal for several weeks.

The program at the Idle Hour this week is as follows: Thursday evening "The Trey O' Hearts" in two reels, and three other good reels. Saturday evening, the second episode of "The Exploits of Elaine," in two reels, the seventh reel of the "Strand War Series," "The Mutual Girl," and two reels of comedy.

A pool tournament has been started among the members of the Three Rivers Improvement Society which bids fair to attract as much interest and prove as entertaining as the basketball games. There are twelve teams, as follows: Reid and King, Searle and Emery, J. Ritchie and Twiss, Kiddle and Cole, Henrichson and Hill, T. Cole and Swain, R. Cole and McAdam, Dunlap and T. Ritchie, Sinclair and Birse, Hartnett and S. Cole, Fleury and P. Johnson, Rice and Price. A schedule has been arranged which extends into May, games to be played every night.

Pretty Absentminded.

A book about George Canning and his friends contains among its anecdotes two which deal with Hookham Frere and the absentmindedness for which he was noted. Frere married Lady Errol, and "while they were engaged he took her in to supper at a ball. While they were talking he drank up the glass of wine he had poured out for her and then took her back supperless to the ballroom. After the wedding he went straight from the church to Mr. Murray, the publisher, who asked him to stay to dinner, to which he very nearly agreed, remembering only just in time that Lady Errol was waiting to start on the honeymoon."

Wanted Her.

"An old couple from the east," says the Detroit Free Press, "are visiting their son in this city. If the mother gets out of sight of the father he is constantly asking for her and is not content till they are together again. The other evening she went to another part of the house while he was in the parlor, and after he had asked for her a half dozen times the son said rather curtly:

"It seems as though you couldn't be without mother for five minutes at a time."

"You're right," said the old gentleman slowly. "That's the reason I married her."

Reciprocity.

"I wish I could get some washing to take in."

"So do I,"

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Monson News.

Who Shall Pay Rent, Who Not?

Question Concerning Memorial Hall Has Come Up Recently.

"Who shall pay rent for the use of Memorial Hall and who shall use it free of charge?" is a topic now prominent in charitable circles in town. There has never been any hard and fast rule as to renting the hall, and the selectmen in years past have had the say about it. Recently the Monson Improvement Society had the use of the hall for nothing and some of the other charitable organizations are of the opinion that partiality has been shown. One prominent man says, "Where a charge for admission is made rent should be paid." Others say the school children and the improvement society, being common to all Monson people, should have the hall free of charge as it is supported by taxation. Societies embracing all creeds and extending their charities to all religions argue that they too should be rent exempt. Much discussion is prevalent and the outcome is not yet in sight.

Former Resident Shoots Woman; Suicide.

Joseph Lanagan, 28 years old, a former resident of Monson, shot Mrs. John Calvert twice as Mr. and Mrs. Calvert were walking on Branch avenue in Providence, R. I., Tuesday night, then turned the revolver to his own right temple and fired, dying instantly. Mrs. Calvert may recover. Lanagan, who was a weaver by trade, lived in Monson as a youth and worked here several years in the various woolen mills. He left Monson several years ago and had lived in Westboro for some time. The Providence authorities believe he was infatuated with the woman, although she denies ever having known Lanagan. The dead man leaves a father, John Lanagan of Whipple, R. I., two brothers, Oliver and Peter of that place, and a sister, Mrs. Emile Brulet of Westboro, formerly of this town.

Not Many Brown-tail Moths.

Harry B. Ramsay of Worcester, state agent for suppression of gypsy and brown-tail moths, was in town Saturday looking over local conditions. He said the number of brown-tail moth nests throughout the state is 20 to 40 per cent less than last year. Gypsy moths are slowly spreading westward, the nearest point to Monson now being West Brookfield on the Ware road. The number of brown-tail moths found in Monson this winter has been small, but Mr. Ramsay said this did not mean that Monson might not be visited by a flight of the pests any summer.

John Anderson is seriously ill at his home on High street.

R. S. Hughes has discontinued his dancing class until after Lent.

Miss Eva Oaks of Worcester is visiting Mrs. A. L. Royce of Green street.

George McKennett of Boston has been spending a few days with Mrs. Mabel E. McKennett.

Miss Thelma O. Bugbee spent the week-end with her aunt, Miss Florence Bugbee of North Adams.

Andrew Coakley had two fingers of his left hand badly injured in a finishing machine at No. 3 mill Tuesday.

Miss Edith Morley of Springfield, who has been visiting Mrs. A. L. Noyes, has returned to her home.

Monson pool enthusiasts won the sixth and final leg of their match against Thorndike in that place Monday evening.

There will be an illustrated lecture in the Methodist church Sunday evening, with special music by Miss Burrows and J. F. Chamberlain of Springfield.

James Francis O'Donnell, impersonator and reader, will be the last of the Epworth League entertainments in Memorial Hall next Tuesday evening. He will read "The Sign of the Cross."

A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, ran two performances of the five-reel photo-play, "Battle of Gettysburg," in the Roderick theatre Monday afternoon and evening. There was a full attendance at both performances.

The King's Daughters held a social evening at Mrs. P. W. Soule's Monday evening. The society's regular meeting will be held with Mrs. L. L. Nevins to-morrow afternoon. The reading of "Merely Mary Ann" netted the society \$50.

Robert C. Trask of the Hampden County Improvement League was in town yesterday and spoke at the various schoolhouses on the work of the League in organizing poultry contests for the children. The work in these poultry contests will be under the direction of the League officials, and ought to stimulate much interest in poultry raising among young people.

An auto owned and driven by H. T. Norton of Moulton Hill became unmanageable when the steering gear broke Monday night, and the machine crashed through the highway fence near the Moulton Hill cemetery. Both Mr. and Mrs. Norton were thrown out but were not injured. The car was towed to the Monson Garage Co. for repairs.

Death of Former Monson Resident.

Word was received last Thursday afternoon of the death of Francis Arthur Morris of Yonkers, N. Y. Mr. Morris was born in Monson 37 years ago and was educated in the public schools here, graduating from Monson Academy in 1895. He went to Williston Seminary at Easthampton one year, and then entered Amherst College, where he graduated in 1900 with high scholastic honors. Mr. Morris was employed by the Corn Products Co. of New York city for several years, and at his death was with the International Steam Pump Company. He had resided in Yonkers for the past four years. He was a member of Day Spring lodge of Masons and Monson lodge of Odd Fellows. He leaves, besides a widow, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Morris of Boston, and one sister, Miss Hope Morris of Boston. The funeral was held at the home Thursday evening at 8 o'clock; interment will be in No. 1 cemetery later.

Death of Mrs. Mary Shea.

Mrs. Mary Roach Shea, a resident of Monson for many years, died at her home on Reynolds avenue last Saturday afternoon of pneumonia. She was born in Archmore, County. Waterford, Ireland, Feb. 1, 1836. Mrs. Shea came to Monson 36 years ago, having resided here since that time. She was a member of the Rosary and Scapular Society of St. Patrick's church. She leaves one son, Rev. Patrick M. Shea of Benson, Minnesota, and six daughters, Mrs. R. M. Powers of Norwich, Ct., Miss Joanna V. Shea of New York city, Mrs. James Pendergast, Mrs. M. L. May, Misses Maria and Delia Shea of Monson. The funeral was held at the home this morning at 9 o'clock, followed by high requiem mass at St. Patrick's church at 9:30; burial was in Pearl street cemetery.

Miss Charlotte Nash of Quincy spent the week-end with Mrs. R. F. Bradway. F. H. Marsden and family spent Sunday and Monday with relatives in Peabody.

Henry Pease has been confined to his home on East Hill during the past week with a severe cold.

James Kimber of New London and Wilfred Kimber of Springfield have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. John Kimber.

Harold E. Shaw of Norwood and C. H. Moulton of Walpole, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Shaw, have returned.

George Merchant of Borden Military Academy, Borden town, N. J., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Alice F. Merchant, for the past week.

The first of a series of three games of basketball between Thorndike and Monson will be played in Memorial Hall this evening. Rivalry for the series runs high.

A. L. Hoyt of Ware is setting up a saw mill on O. E. Bradway's farm on East Hill, and a large number of logs will be sawed from Mr. Bradway's farm and from several adjoining wood lots.

Henry E. Newton, a former resident, was in town Tuesday. Mr. Newton will move March 1st from Dana, where he has conducted a hotel for several years, to Barre, where he will run the Massasoit House.

Washington's Birthday found slight observance locally. Banks and schools were closed, and the post office kept holiday hours. The rural mail carriers did not go out. Stores and factories did not close.

Miss Edith M. Herrick of the Leland Powers School gave a play recital of "Merely Mary Ann" in Memorial Hall Tuesday evening under the auspices of the King's Daughters. Vocal and instrumental music was furnished by local talent.

Mrs. S. F. Cushman, Mrs. A. F. Merchant, Mrs. E. W. Capen and Mrs. F. S. Chapman were the committee in charge of the last Dorcas supper of the season held in the Congregational church parlors last Friday evening. There was a large attendance.

A program of unusual interest will be presented under the auspices of the Dorcas Society in the parlors of the Congregational church next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The program includes a trip to California, made possible by the aid of a radio-phonograph and the assistance of several guides, who will act as conductors of the party. A delightful tea-room will furnish rest and refreshment after the fatigue of sight-seeing. Round-trip tickets can be purchased at the door.

At a meeting of the school board Wednesday evening Miss Mary Hynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Hynes, was elected teacher of the 4th and 5th grades at the Mechanic street school to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss May T. McCann. Miss Hynes has been substituting in the position to which she was elected since Jan. 10. She is a graduate of Monson Academy 1908, took one year's work at Westfield Normal School and two years' training in kindergarten work. She has had three years' teaching experience, two years in Wateley and one year in Berlin, Ct.



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Shaw & Ricketts have discontinued running their mill nights.

E. J. Hillard of Boston was among visitors in town over Sunday.

Mrs. L. C. Flynt has returned from a visit with her daughter in Providence, R. I.

Dr. and Mrs. Coleman of Boston were guests of the Misses Gavin over the week-end.

F. E. Cady and E. F. Cushman enjoyed ice fishing at Lake Florence, Wales, the 22d.

Charles Griffin of Attleboro spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Griffin of Lincoln street.

The Ladies' Benevolent Society of the Methodist church served their annual turkey dinner Monday noon to a large number.

S. F. Cushman Jr. and W. A. Cushman of the Bryant & Stratton Business College of Boston spent the week-end and the 22d with Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cushman.

The first of the union Lenten services at the Methodist church last Thursday evening was attended by 110, at which Rev. G. A. Andrews spoke on the "Quest of the Highest." Rev. W. S. Kilmer will be the speaker to-night at the Congregational church, taking for his topic, "Ideals of Life." These Union Lenten services are being heartily received by a large number of people as another step in the right direction of co-operation and co-ownership between members of the Protestant churches.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushy.)

School opened at 8.50 Tuesday morning after the Washington Birthday recess. Joseph Martin was detained at home by an attack of acute indigestion.

W. J. Moore spent the week-end as the guest of Roy R. Harper in Worcester.

J. R. Moore spent the vacation in Bondsville.

Evans, '18, was the guest of Joseph Martin in Pittsfield over the holiday.

Professor George Steele was entertained by Robert P. Cande at the latter's home in Pittsfield over the week-end.

Saturday, Feb. 27, the basketball team played a return game with Middletown High in Middletown, Ct. D. B. Hughes, M. E. and E. G. Balston, Reimers, Allyn, Christie and Johnson spent the holiday at their homes.

The dormitory boys at Morris House entertained the Cushman Hall boys who remained in town during the holiday with a supper Sunday night. Mr. Hill rendered a few selections, accompanied by Professor Perry; C. William Inglehart gave some very good violin solos.

Saturday night the Cushman Hall boys had the Morris House boys as guests at the Roderick.

Joseph Field was the guest of H. B. Burrill at Stafford Springs over the holiday.

V. W. Oothout has been undergoing an operation on his throat at his home in Watervliet, N. Y., and has not returned.

Miss H. Mildred Holden spent the holiday at her home in Winter Hill.

The "Monsonia" has arrived and distribution will begin to-morrow at noon. Copies are 15 cents each.

A Trick With Words.

An extraordinary memory was that of Dr. Addison Alexander of Princeton Theological seminary. His memory was not only tenacious of facts, but of mere words. For the amusement of young people he would sometimes say, "Now I am going to talk without thinking." He would then pour forth period after period of strange words and incongruous images harmonious and even rhythmical in sound, but wholly destitute of sense. If that seems an easy trick try to suspend your reason and give free rein to your fancy in periods that shall be grammatically correct and yet without meaning.—Youth's Companion.

Bad Taste as Seen in Japan.

Dr. Aston, the scholarly Japanese secretary to the British legation in Tokyo, summarized what Kenko, the fourteenth century writer of "Tsurezure Gusa," considered to be "bad taste," thus:

Too much furniture in one's living room.

Too many pens in a stand.

Too many Buddhas in a private shrine.

Too many rocks, trees and herbs in a garden.

Too many words when men meet.

Too many books in a bookcase there can never be, nor can there be too much litter in a dust heap.—London Saturday Review.

Why Boards Have Knots.

Some boards have knots because they are made from trees having many branches. The knot in the board is part of the root of the branch in the trunk of the tree. When you see a knot it means that before the tree was cut down and the log sawed up into boards the limb was growing out from the inside of the tree at the spot where the knot occurs. The wood in the knot is harder than the rest of the board because more strength is needed at the base of a branch and in that part of it growing in the tree than in other parts. This is necessary to make the branch strong enough to support not only itself, but also the smaller limbs growing out from it.—Boston Herald.

Four Thousand Miles.

A thousand miles up the mighty St. Lawrence, a thousand miles along the great lakes, a thousand miles across the open prairie, a thousand miles over a sea of mountains—4,000 miles where nation meets nation and sovereignty meets sovereignty, but never a fortress, never a battleship, never a gun, never a sentinel on guard! Four thousand miles of civilized and Christianized internationalism—that is North America's greatest achievement.—James A. Macdonald in American Review of Reviews.

Had Practiced.

Cardinal Richelieu once listened to an earnest sermon by a shoemaker. The man was simple and unaffected and apparently not at all dismayed by the presence of the cardinal.

"How could you preach to me with so much confidence?" Richelieu asked him in evident surprise.

"Monsieur," replied the shoemaker, "I learned my sermon by reciting it to a field of cabbage heads in the midst of which was one red one, and this practice enabled me to preach to you."

Got There Strong.

"My dear, these are very strong cigars you bought for me."

"Well, the man asked if I wanted 'em strong. Naturally I thought you would prefer something strong and durable. But that's just like a man. Next time I'll get 'em weak and see if that will suit you."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Slave.

The word "Slave," including Serbians, Russians and allied races, had nothing originally to do with slaves or slavery. Its proper form is "Sklav," or "Slave" with the "K" sound, in Latin tongues "Schlavi" or "Schlaven." German folk speech used the word "Wend" to designate a Slav, the Prussians themselves being originally Wends.—Exchange.

The Higher Education.

Teacher—A monologue is a conversation in which one takes part, a dialogue one in which two take part. Any other word ending in "logue" Johnny—Ma'm, is a catalogue one in which cats take part?—Exchange.

Falling Off.

Dobbins—I say, old fellow, you are getting thin since you retired from business.

Tobbins (ex-coal dealer)—That's right. You see, I don't weigh as much as I did.—Exchange.

Cutting.

Lord Chatham said of the members of Lord North's cabinet, "They have brought themselves where ordinary inability never arrives and nothing but first rate geniuses in incapacity can reach."

John Cabot.

John Cabot, an Englishman, was the first European to sight the mainland of North America.

Her Ideal.

He—What is your masculine ideal? She—A man who has both sand and dust.—Chicago News.

Auction Sales.

Auction sales originated in ancient Rome and were introduced to enable soldiers to dispose of spoils of war.

Stuck.

"I understand you are stuck on my new book." "Yes, I bought one."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Drink to-day and drown all sorrow; You shall perhaps not do't to-morrow.

HOOKING A SHARK.

It's an Exciting Sport Even if One Doesn't See the Fish.

Fishing for sharks off the pier at Palm Beach is a Brobdingnagian sport. You fish with clotheslines and a hook the size of a split anchor. Half of some great fish is slipped on your hook for bait. You throw it off the pier and fasten the end of the line to the railing and then take out your detective story and read.

Sometimes you get a bite; sometimes you don't. At evening the colored gentleman in charge of the shark fishing on the pier goes around and takes in the lines. That in itself is on rare occasions an exciting sport.

Once a New York vacationist was standing on the pier enjoying the sunset after a day's fruitless angling when he heard a shout from the colored gentleman, who had discovered a shark on one of the lines that had been left out. The colored gentleman was having trouble in handling the beast, so the New Yorker went to his assistance. Together they pulled and hauled at the line in vain. Another man on the pier joined in, and then the three braced their feet against the rail and tugged for all they were worth. But in spite of all they could do the line slipped gradually through their fingers.

Finally all the slack was used up, and the rope, coming taut against the rail, snapped like a thread. The New Yorker has always wished he could have had just one look at that shark.—New York Post.

MARTEL AND POITIERS.

The Man and Battle That Saved Europe From the Saracen Yoke.

A traveler approaching the city of Poitiers, France, would hardly believe that it was around the site of that small city that the battle which saved all Europe from the Saracen yoke was fought. The man who commanded the French in that great battle was Charles, who afterward received the surname Martel, "the hammer," from his mighty prowess in that fight.

He baffled the Saracen invasion by his great victory at Poitiers. The Saracens had mastered all Asia and conquered Spain. Nothing could withstand their arms, and the Crescent bore death and desolation before it wherever it went. The Mohammedans determined to conquer all Europe in the name of the Prophet. Spain had fallen, and France was next. The two armies met at Poitiers. The strife was bloody, for the Saracens had the prestige of former victories and the advantage of numbers; France had the wisdom of Martel. That wisdom triumphed, and the Mohammedan was hurled back, a broken power. This victory saved Europe from want and desolation, for the brave people would have suffered anything sooner than embrace Mohammedanism. The great champion of Christian civilization lived nine years after his famous triumph at Poitiers and died in the year 741.—Irish World.

Force of Drops of Water.

It seems almost incredible that so small a thing as a drop of rain should injure the propeller of an aeroplane, but such is the case. At so great a speed does the propeller revolve—1,200 revolutions a minute as a matter of fact—that a rain drop hits it with such enormous force as to chip a piece of the wood away. Some idea of the hardships entailed by flying through the rain at sixty miles an hour may be gathered from the fact that an aviator who recently went through such an experience, alighted with the edge of his propeller fretted as though it had been gnawed by rats. The rain drops had chipped pieces out of the blades and also bruised the aviator's face, owing to the force with which they hit against his flesh.—London Spectator.

Antiquity of "A Regular Shindy."

The antiquity of many familiar terms is surprising when it is known. Many people are not aware that "What the dickens" occurs in Shakespeare, but fewer still will be prepared to hear that the phrase "a regular shindy" is found in an author's note to a poem called "The Polish Kingdom," published in 1570. A writer quotes this note, which refers to the celebration of Maundy Thursday, "Midnight services are held in church, the lights are put out, and a regular shindy follows, men being beaten and wounded."—London Globe.

Fine Language.

As a rule the educated native of West Africa, like his Indian brother, loves high flown language. A clerk some time ago sent a report complaining that the carabines of the police at his station often misfired. This is how he put it: "It is ridiculous to report that the firearms of the police when pointed at the firmament refuse to give explosive sound."—London Saturday Review.

Of the Past.

Geologists say that several species of man have entirely disappeared from the earth. Doubtless these last species include the nice old gentleman who used to pull off his boots on an evening with the help of the bootjack.—Chicago News.

The Fourth Estate.

The expression "fourth estate" was first used by Thomas Carlyle and was applied to the editors during the period of the French revolution.

Impudent.

Registrar—How old are you, madam? She—I've seen nineteen summers, sir. Registrar—How long have you been blind?—Brooklyn Eagle.

By the work one knows the workman.

John Blunt's Infatuation

By ESTHER VANDEVEER

John Blunt, gentleman's valet by profession, just now out of a position, was going up to his room on the fourth floor of a tenement house when he noticed a dainty glove on the stair before him. Seeing a figure in skirts ahead of him, he picked up the glove and, hastening on, asked the comely young woman he overtook if the glove belonged to her. She smilingly acknowledged that it did and thanked Mr. Blunt accordingly. Moreover, he noticed or fancied he noticed a look of admiration in the young woman's eyes, which was not surprising, for he was a good looking man.

"I haven't seen you in the building before," said John. "Ave you been ere long?"

"Hon'y a few days. Me and my mother 'ave a couple o' rooms on the next floor above, but I'll not be 'ere very long. I'm looking for a place."

"What kind of a place?"

"A lady's maid."

"Mebbe I can 'elp you to that. I'm a 'valley' myself when I'm at work and know a lot o' swell folks."

"If you do, please let me know. I'm in No. 9 on the next floor above."

The very next day Mr. Blunt rapped at No. 9 and was admitted by an elderly woman, who called out "Susan!" and in came the young woman he had met the day before. He said he had called to get some information as to what wages she would expect and other items of like nature, but in reality he was desirous of forming Susan's acquaintance.

There are triflers among the lowly as well as among the swells, and Mr. Blunt was bent on an affair with the pretty lady's maid. He called often, and his attentions appeared to be highly appreciated. Susan seemed a bit fond of finery and jewelry, and Mr. Blunt considered himself fortunate in being able to gratify her, especially in the matter of jewelry. He made her presents of a few inexpensive ornaments, but they did not seem to satisfy her. John found her very fascinating and in order to gain her good will produced articles of greater value. Finally he found himself so deeply infatuated that he proposed marriage.

To his surprise Susan refused him. Nevertheless from time to time she gave him encouragement to hope that she might reconsider her refusal. She said that she had expensive tastes and was afraid that he would not be able to gratify them. She hinted at a suit, a plumber, who had made a great deal of money, but she did not love him. Nevertheless she was thinking of marrying him because he could give her what she craved—jewels.

Upon this John shied off for awhile. Susan didn't seem to mind the change in his attentions to her a bit. Indeed, she scarcely noticed him when they met. One day she told him that she was in receipt of handsome presents from the plumber and she expected a proposal.

Soon after she had told John this he came to her one day with a brooch containing several large diamonds, telling her that his last master, a stockbroker, had given him a tip by which he had made a lot of money. He had spent a part of it for his beloved Susan.

Susan's eyes sparkled with pleasure at seeing the ornament. She put it on and admired it and herself in a mirror.

"You look fine in it, Susan," said her lover. "I'm so 'appy at my luck in making the money to buy it for you, seeing as 'ow now you needn't 'ave to give yourself to the plumber."

But Susan did not quite accede to the proposition. John begged her to end his suspense and agree to marry him, but she said that the expense of living was rising every day and she was afraid that without a permanent income they would come to grief. She would rather remain single and be a lady's maid than be married and in poverty.

But John did not despair, for her love for jewelry seemed to him to have been born in her, and his old master, the stockbroker, gave him another tip and he made more money. This time he gave Susan a bracelet, a serpent with ruby eyes. Again Susan was delighted and seemed to warm; but, though on the verge of consenting, she did not consent.

One day John called to see his love when she was not at home. Her mother received him and said to him: "I'm doing all I can for you, John, with Susan. Persevere and you'll win. It's the jewels that's doing it."

After this John became reckless in his gifts, and before long Susan possessed jewels enough to decorate a duchess.

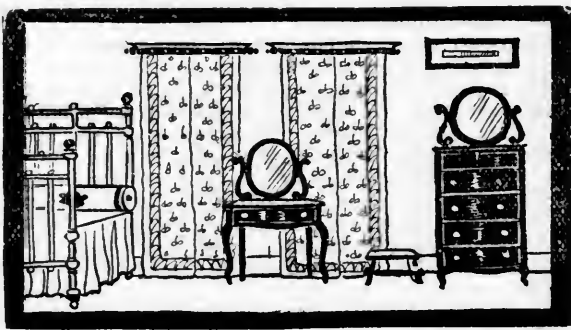
One day when John called at No. 9 he elicited no response. He tried the door and found it locked. The same evening he tried it again with a like result. When a couple of days had passed and No. 9 was still locked John made up his mind that something was wrong. He disappeared himself.

Susan had returned to the home of a wealthy woman with whom she lived as her maid. A friend of this lady, also wealthy, had lost valuable jewels and had suspected her son's valet. Averse to publicity, she would have stood her loss without appealing to the police had not Susan, hearing of the case from her mistress, volunteered to make an attempt to wheedle them out of the thief.

John was not troubled, but the jewels were returned to their owner, and Susan was well rewarded.

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For the purpose of obtaining information as to the whereabouts of the enemy and guarding against surprises wireless telegraphy is, of course, invaluable, says the Wireless World. A great number of cruisers are sent out ahead and spread a number of miles across. The duty of these ships is to keep a thorough lookout and report to the ship in the battle fleet looking out on their particular wave length. This ship in turn reports by semaphore or Morse lamp to the admiral of the battle fleet. The cruisers are sometimes assisted by torpedo boat destroyers. Now, if thirty of these ships are used it will be readily seen that the area of their vision is enormous, and it would be almost impossible for a fleet to pass unobserved. Immediately any of the ships sight the enemy's squadron they would report at once by wireless, stating the number of ships sighted, with their speed, latitude and longitude, etc. The admiral would then give his orders, also by wireless.—Pearson's Weekly.

Queerest Dolls in the World.

The dollies played with by little Mohammedan children are sadly unique. They are not allowed any features and are, in fact, little more than mere bundles of rags rolled up. Mrs. Penny in "Southern India" recalls the reason for this deficiency. The Moslems believe that any human figure that is made by man will receive life at the last day and will reproach its maker for having brought it into existence without having the power to endow it with human and spiritual privileges. One feels that the prophet might have compromised a little when it came to dolls, especially in view of what was later to happen.

When British rupees were first circulated in India the figure of the sovereign in relief was regarded with distrust. Fortunately for the peace of the merchant the eye was so small as to be almost invisible. Through this loophole the followers of the prophet found a way of escape from the difficulty, deciding that no harm would come in the use of the money.

A Stonehenge Legend.

Friar's Heel is the name given to a large stone at Stonehenge, England. An interesting tale surrounds the placing of this stone in its present upright position. It is related that Geoffrey of Monmouth said that the devil bought some stones of an old woman in Ireland, wrapped them up in wraiths and took them to Salisbury plain. Before he got to Mount Ambre the wraiths broke and one of the stones fell into the Avon; the rest were carried to the plain. After the fiend had fixed them in the ground he cried out, "No man will ever find out how these stones came here." A friar replied, "That's more than thee can tell," whereupon the fiend threw one of the stones at him and struck him on the heel. The stone stuck in the ground and is said to remain there to the present hour.

He Does It.

"Pa, what does a censor do?"
"Oh, incenses everybody, my son."—Baltimore American.

Don't.

When you feel in a scrappy mood don't try to take a fall out of an airship.—Chicago News.

The Rule of Three.

Stella—What is the rule of three?
Bella—That one ought to go home.—New York Sun.

An Ingenious Courtship

By WILLARD BLAKEMAN

Mrs. Martindale, realizing the dangers which beset young persons who step into matrimonial traps, desired that her daughter should be settled matrimonially while her mother lived and that she should marry a good man. Edward Sawyer was the person on whom Mrs. Martindale had fixed her intentions for her daughter. One day she said to him:

"Edward, I have noticed that you seem pleased with Gwen. I wish to see her settled before I leave her. If you wish to marry her I will help you to win her. If not, I shall try to make a match for her elsewhere."

"You have not been deceived in my partiality for Gwen, Mrs. Martindale, but I don't see that Gwen has any special partiality for me."

"Gwen is romantic and needs to be won by romance. That is why I fear for her. Some worthless fellow is liable to appeal to her in that way and marry her. I value that which is practical in you and wish that you might sink it temporarily, be a bit sentimental, catch Gwen and marry her. After marriage I am sure your good sense and wisdom will hold her."

Mr. Sawyer sat evidently turning something over in his mind, then assured Mrs. Martindale that, although he would be glad to win her daughter, he feared that he was too matter of fact to please her.

One day Gwen received a note which put her in a flutter. The writer declared that he had known her for some time; that he had loved her from the moment he first saw her; that he had forborne to give her the slightest inkling of his affection because he had not observed any predisposition on her part for him. He was a believer in love from the beginning. He knew the woman he wanted the moment he met her and felt sure that if she wanted him she would know him. While he would not make himself known, he could not refrain from telling her that he loved her.

In a few weeks came a second letter. In it her correspondent said that he was impelled to write to her, though he had no information of himself to communicate. He had met her once since he had written the first letter, but had observed nothing in her greeting to give him any reason to think that she had chosen him as he had chosen her. Nevertheless he had a faint hope that there might be some subtle medium of transference which would enable his love to kindle its like in her.

Whether or not this medium existed, Gwen's heart went out to this unknown lover, or, rather, to a being whom she created. She was troubled that he did not enable her to make even a written reply by giving her an address. But one day she received a letter in which he said that he was ill and was pining for a word from her. If he did not get it he feared for the result. An address was given, but she was assured that she would not be able, even if she desired, to trace him.

Gwen did not find the difficulty to be expected in writing a reply, because she wrote to one created by her own fancy. She did not intend to write a loving letter to an unknown man. She thought she merely expressed sympathy. But sympathy is so nearly akin to love that the expression of the one will often do for the other.

The stranger having given an address where a letter might reach him, quite a brisk correspondence sprang up between him and Gwen. She suggested that he make himself known, that if they could not be lovers they might at least be friends, and she longed to do something to show her appreciation of his preference for her. To this he replied that he was sure that when she knew which of her acquaintances he was, that he was a plain, ordinary man, she could not refrain from showing her disappointment. Nor would she believe that one she had known could have so long concealed the love buried away down in his breast.

To this she replied that such a discovery could not but interest her and might turn the scale in his favor. After much urging and the expression of many misgivings he consented to make himself known. He agreed to call upon her on a certain evening. When that evening arrived she spent much time before her glass arranging her costume, and when she heard the ring of the doorbell her heart leaped into her throat. She went downstairs, trembling with anticipation.

"Why, Ned Sawyer!"
Sawyer shrunk back as though fearing she was about to cast a blight upon him.

"Can it be," Gwen added, a slight color rising in her cheeks, "that you have so long lived near me, have seen me so often and yet have been able to conceal what you have expressed in those lovely letters?"

"Oh, Gwen, tell me, are you—do you wish I had turned out to be some one else?"

"Why, Ned, do you mean to tell me that you haven't known that I—"
He clasped her to his breast. "No; had I even suspected I I would not have wasted so much time on this confounded!"

He checked himself in time to prevent spilling what he had accomplished.

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3. HANOVER, PA.—"The doctor advised a severe operation, but my husband got me Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I experienced great relief in a short time. Now I feel like a new person and can do a hard day's work and not mind it."—Mrs. ADA WILT, 303 Walnut St., Hanover, Pa.

4. DECATUR, ILL.—"I was sick in bed and three of the best physicians said I would have to be taken to the hospital for an operation as I had something growing in my left side. I refused to submit to the operation and took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—and it worked a miracle in my case, and I tell other women what it has done for me."—Mrs. LAURA A. GRISWOLD, 2437 East William Street, Decatur, Ill.

5. CLEVELAND, OHIO.—"I was very irregular and for several years my side pained me so that I expected to have to undergo an operation. Doctors said they knew of nothing that would help me. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and I became regular and free from pain. I am thankful for such a good medicine and will always give it the highest praise."—Mrs. C. H. GRIFFITH, 1568 Constant St., Cleveland, O.

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Explaining It.
"Robert," said his mother, "what mischief have you been up to now? I can tell by the look in your eyes that you have been naughty."

"Oh," replied Robert, "that's part of the look left over from the last time I was naughty."—Chicago News.

Love's Victim.
"Where did you get that awful indigestion?"

"My wife tried to win my love through my stomach."—Philadelphia Ledger.

The Spear of Sarcasm.
"The whaling industry is dead."
"Yes," replied Miss Cayenne. "Throwing the harpoon is now classed as an indoor sport."—Washington Star.

Don't tell your enemy what you think of him; it will worry him lots more to have to guess.—Smart Set.

Not at All.
To be as regular as a clock does not require one to move in circles.—Judge.

The Cause.
"He wrote a lame apology."
"No wonder; he had sprained his wrist."—Baltimore American.

Better Than Luck.
If you have no luck try advertising instead. It will get business for you.—Kansas City Journal.

Lunar Vegetation.

Professor Pickering of the Harvard astronomical observatory declares that there is nothing less true than that the moon is without air, water or vegetation. There are certain large lunar areas that darken toward lunar noon and fade out toward lunar sunset. They correspond in some degree to the so called Martian seas, and Professor Pickering uses the term "fields" to describe these plains or slopes, which he believes to be covered with vegetation. He is convinced that the dark fields to be seen during the lunar summer do not owe their blackness to shadow, for you can see them at full moon when shadows are absolutely invisible. The blue-black color of the fields and canals, he argues, can therefore be owing only to a discoloration of the surface that comes alike on slopes and levels in the lunar summer, and that is invisible in the spring and autumn. We know of no mineral that acts in that manner, and the only possible explanation seems to be that it is the result of a covering of vegetation.—Youth's Companion.

The Smoker's Paradise.

Mexico may be called the smoker's paradise. There is plenty of good, cheap tobacco in that country, where the leaf grows freely. Furthermore, no tax is levied upon it. One may buy in Mexico a cigar, every bit as good as the average ten cent brand in this country, for a sum equivalent to two and a half cents of our money. Cigarettes are cheap in proportion. To protect the domestic article Mexico levies a prohibitive tax upon imported tobacco, so that no Mexican thinks of buying an American cigar. The laboring classes are able to buy two boxes of cigarettes, containing ten each, for two and a half cents in our money. The tobacco in these is the sun dried natural leaf and of coarse grade, with coarse paper wrappings. The market is abundantly supplied also with cigarettes of high grade tobacco in the best paper wrappings. For the most part the Mexican takes his tobacco in the form of cigarettes.—New York Tribune.

The Chins of Burma.

The Chins of Burma are divided into a large number of clans, and a man may not marry a woman of his own clan, but after the marriage ceremonies are over the wife is initiated into her husband's clan and has her wrists wrapped round with cotton yarn as a witness to all evil spirits that she is under the guardianship of the kun, or ancestry, of her husband. The Chins are afraid of witches; but, as has been the case with other peoples, they find great difficulty in learning for certain whether a given woman is a witch or not. If they knew it they would certainly drive the woman out of the village and perhaps resort to further violence. Like the Burmese, they believe that witches have the power by their incantations to introduce foreign matters into the bodies of those whom they hate and so to cause them to die.

The First London Directory.

The great family of Smith, Brown, Jones and Robinson had not spread so far over London when the first direc-

tory was published as it has now. Only eighteen Smiths, ten Browns, nine Joneses and four Robinsons figure in it, the Cooks, Halls, Hills and Kings being almost as numerous. There were then but five London bankers, or "goldsmiths that keep running cash," as the directory describes them—Richard Blanchard & Child, at the Marygold, in Fleet street; Mr. Coggs, in the Strand, at the King's Head; Benjamin Hinton, at the Flower de Luce, in Lombard street; James Herriott, at the Naked Boy, in Fleet street, and James Johnson, at the Three Flower de Luces, in Lombard street.—London Graphic.

Dresses and Flowers.

If you have had a waist or a light dress stained by wearing a bunch of flowers you will appreciate how much trouble might be saved by owning a chamolais case to cover the stem. Make this by stitching into shape a piece of chamolais the desired size. Into this case may be slipped the stems of any short stemmed flowers, and then they may be carried or worn without staining waist, glove or gown.—Exchange.

It Would Help.

A facetious bishop went to preach a charity sermon a short time ago in a church. The rector said:
"I am grieved that you should have to come on such a windy day."
The bishop replied: "Tut, tut, my friend. Didn't I come to raise the wind?"—Wisconsin State Journal.

Greatest Railroad Terminal.

Chicago is a greater railroad center than New York, or any other place on earth. As a railroad terminal the Windy City bears the palm over all the world and will probably continue to do so for a long time to come.—New York American.

A Modern Trend.

"Then she doesn't think that two can live as cheaply as one?"
"No; her idea is that two ought to live as expensively as five or six."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Widows' Caps.

The widow's cap is as old as the days of Julius Caesar. An edict of Tiberius commanded all widows to wear the cap under penalty of a heavy fine and imprisonment.

Beth.

Beth in the names of places mentioned in the Bible is the Hebrew word for "house." Thus, Beth-lehem is the house of bread; Beth-saida, house of mercy.

Why London Rises Late.

London's modern business hours came in with the invention of telegraphy. Before cables and wireless London kept its own time. Now its policy is to be in communication with the greatest possible part of the world for the longest possible time. The American continent is only waking when London begins to think of lunch, while the far east is closing down for the day. By getting up too early London makes the best of the day in both halves of the world.—London Chronicle.

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MUSIC STUDENTS MEET.

Enjoyable Gathering at home of Mrs. Lucy Flynt.

SCHUBERT AND SCHUMANN STUDIED.

Vocal and Instrumental Numbers of Both Rendered. Officers Are Elected.

The Music Students' Club met at the home of Mrs. Lucy A. Flynt on Central street Monday evening. Mrs. B. J. Whittemore had charge of the program, which was a study of the lives and compositions of Schubert and Schumann. Mrs. Theodore Norman read a paper on the life of Schubert, and several of his compositions were given as follows: Piano trios, Mrs. S. R. Carsley, Mrs. B. J. Whittemore and Miss Blanche LeGrö; piano solo, Miss Grace Swann; vocal solos, Mrs. Eric Allen and Theodore Norman. Mrs. H. L. Jones read an interesting account of the life of Schumann. Miss Madeline Fuller played one of his compositions for the piano and Mrs. Allen sang one of his vocal numbers. A committee of seven, composed of Mrs. S. R. Carsley (chairman), Mrs. Theodore Norman, Mrs. Eric Allen, Miss Mollie Barton, Miss Margaret Moynahan, Miss Blanche LeGrö and Miss Alice Clark, was chosen to arrange a program for the remainder of the season. The following officers of the club were chosen: President, Mrs. S. R. Carsley; vice president, Mrs. B. J. Whittemore; secretary, Miss Annie B. Gould; treasurer, Mrs. Theodore Norman. After the business meeting Miss Margaret Moynahan gave a vocal solo and records on the victrola were enjoyed. The next meeting of the club will be with Mrs. Eric Allen of Pleasant street Monday, March 15. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Vernon Faunce, and the composer to be studied will be Nevin.

WARE.

Patrick J. Downey, who for the past 28 years has conducted a dry goods store in Ware, has sold his business to James Golden of Marlboro, who took possession Monday.

Max A. Rosenfield of Lynn has bought the Bijou theater of Charles H. Cleaves and took possession Monday. Mr. Cleaves will return to his former home in Lawrence.

Homer Beach, employed in the weave room of the Otis Company, had the third finger of his right hand crushed and received a deep gash in his wrist by getting his hand caught in a loom Monday. He was attended by Dr. W. W. Miner.

Word of the death in North Brookfield of Dr. Oscar J. Washburn, father of Dr. David L. Washburn of this town, was received Tuesday. He was well known here, having been a frequent visitor at his son's. The funeral was held yesterday, and burial was in Natick.

The pet bull terrier of David Rohan, which last week bit Wilfred Danse-reau and Henry Robbideau, was killed last Thursday by Mr. Rohan's orders. The animal had been accustomed to bark and snap in play with children who shuffled their feet on the sidewalk at him, and although he had recently shown a disposition to get hold of their clothing, had never before bitten anyone.

An overheated stove used for drying out the plaster in a new house on Pleasant street owned by Joseph Emond, caused the hose cart to be called out Saturday evening, but the fire was put out with chemicals. A second alarm called the company to Aspen street, but on its arrival the fire was found to be out. But little damage was done in either case.

In the district court Monday morning Robert W. Blake of Springfield was arraigned on the charge of larceny. Blake obtained \$15 from Joseph Dupre in December in exchange for a check on the Union Trust Co. of Springfield. The check was protested and the costs amounted to \$1.79. The police were notified and a warrant issued for Blake's arrest. He was located in Springfield Monday and brought to Ware. He pleaded not guilty to the charge and asked for a continuance of the case. This was granted, but being unable to obtain bonds he changed his plea to guilty and a special session of the court was held in the evening. Blake was ordered to make restitution of the money and to pay a fine of \$15, which he did.

R. E. Faulkner, attended the convention of hardware men in Boston last week.

Was Looking Into Windows.

But Was Evidently Drunk or Doped, and Dazed as to Location.

Officer Charles B. Thomas gathered in Tuesday evening a man who had called at several houses on Pleasant street and in that vicinity, giving various excuses when his ring at the bell was answered. At one place he wanted a physician, and on being watched after leaving was seen to go to another house close by and walk up and down along its side, apparently trying to see in the windows. It was soon after this that the officer, who had been trailing the fellow for some time, gathered him in.

In the district court yesterday morning he gave his name as Thomas J. Dolan, and his residence as Millbury. He claimed to have played ball years ago with ex-President Taft, and had the names of prominent Millbury and Worcester men at his tongue's end. The court records showed that he had been here three times previously and it was known that he had an intimate acquaintance with other places of justice hereabouts. He pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness, and on being given his choice of 30, 60 or 90 days in the house of correction, selected the former term and went up, being advised however that if he ever appeared here again a long sentence awaited him.

HAMPDEN.

Wallace Whittier of Springfield has bought the Goat Rock property of Thresher Bros., which includes about 40 acres of land.

The next meeting of the Willing Helpers of the federated church will be held March 17, probably in the home of A. G. Corey.

The reflector chandelier, given to the Methodist church by Mrs. Billings Cooley of East Longmeadow in memory of her husband, was used for the first time last evening at the entertainment in the church.

Raymond Burleigh has severed his connection with the W. M. Pease store and will take up farming. He is succeeded by Emory E. Adams of Springfield, who with his family will occupy the tenement in the Hendrick block.

Mary M. Butterworth, 54, widow of the late George C. Butterworth, died Sunday afternoon in the Springfield hospital. She has been a resident of Hampden for a number of years. She is survived by one sister and four children. The funeral was held Tuesday from the Dickinson-Streeter parlors in Springfield, and burial was in the Adams cemetery in Wilbraham.

The cantata, "The Rose Maiden," will be sung in the Congregational church Saturday night under the direction of Mrs. Louise O. Smith. A number of the male parts will be taken by Springfield singers. The affair is for the benefit of the federated church, and although no admission will be charged a collection will be taken; ice cream and cake will be on sale after the entertainment.

About 50 voters were present at the Republican caucus Monday evening. W. J. Fenton was chosen chairman and C. N. Whittaker clerk. The following nominations were made for various town offices: Town clerk and treasurer, W. M. Pease; selectmen, Charles I. Burleigh, Leroy O. Howlett and Nathan M. Carew; assessor for three years, Martin S. Beebe; highway surveyor, Ernest W. Howlett; cemetery commissioner for three years, Herbert H. Thrasher; tax collector, Charles N. Whittaker; library trustee for three years, Miss Kenia Carew; auditor, John Q. Adams; tree warden, Edward D. Lyons; constables, Edward D. Lyons, Robert Pease, Nicholas Samble; fence viewers, Raymond Kibbe, Walter Bartlett and C. N. Whittaker; moderator, W. J. Sessions.

The Democratic caucus for the nomination of town officers was held in the town hall Tuesday night. C. J. Flynn acted as chairman and Walter S. Beebe as clerk. The following nominations were made: Moderator, William J. Sessions; town clerk and treasurer, W. M. Pease; selectmen, Charles I. Burleigh, Nelson M. Carew and Leroy O. Howlett; assessor for three years, John Bartlett; school committee for three years, Marcus S. Beebe; highway surveyor, Ernest W. Howlett; cemetery commissioner for three years, James W. Mulroney; auditor, John Q. Adams; tax collector, Nelson E. Pease; library trustee for three years, Miss Kenia Carew; tree warden, Edward P. Lyons; constables, Edward P. Lyons, Styles Stevens and Henry Chapman; fence viewers, Raymond Kibbe, Charles N. Whittaker and Walter Bartlett. The Democratic town committee was authorized to fill any vacancies on the ticket.

ABOUT NAVAJO INDIANS.

The Historical Society Holds an Instructive Meeting.

FINE PAPER BY MRS. W. H. FULLER.

Who Has Visited Ship Rock Agency. Much Interesting Information About Them.

The Palmer Historical Society held its regular meeting Tuesday night, when a paper was read by Mrs. William H. Fuller on the Navajo Indians of Ship Rock Agency, New Mexico. The paper was highly interesting and instructive, largely based on personal observation. Mrs. Fuller said in part:

"The Navajo reservation is located in New Mexico and contains about 12,000,000 acres of naturally arid land which is gradually being improved by the government in extensive ditching for conducting water to the land. The savages number from 20,000 to 28,000, and are self-sustaining and peaceful, many of them being quite wealthy, having large herds; being solitary in habits, they have no villages worthy of the name. Their habitations are simple and primitive in style. Their chief industry is the manufacture of the famous Navajo blankets and rugs by the women, which are woven in the most primitive fashion from wool of their own production. The annual product amounts to about \$600,000. The blankets are made in various designs according to the fancy of each weaver, are well wrought and of lasting value."

Mrs. Fuller had several of Navajo handiwork on exhibition, which gave evidence of much skill in their execution. The government provides good schools at the agency, which are well attended and are of great benefit to the tribe. Mrs. Fuller met many of the Indians in their homes and was afforded good opportunity to observe them at close range, and on one occasion was a witness to the singular practice of the Medicine Man in his efforts to cure a woman of consumption, which is a survival of the ancient Pagan superstition, and grotesque to the limit. Mrs. Fuller said in answer to the question about prices, that the blankets sold at the agency for from \$12 to \$20, according to the size, and some of an extra large size for \$100.

At the close of Mrs. Fuller's excellent paper Miss Beckwith read a letter from an acquaintance at the agency, which gave some very interesting facts of the present state of the Navajos, which was greatly appreciated by those present. It may be added that the agency derives its name of Ship Rock from the fact that an immense pile of rock rises in the midst of the plain of the reservation to the height of 1600 feet, and at a distance resembles the outlines of a great ship's mast. It is said that this rock casts a shadow for 64 miles at certain times of the day.

The curator, O. P. Allen, announced these donations to the society since the last meeting: From the state, the following vital records of Massachusetts towns—Cambridge, Vol. 1; Rochester, Vols. 1 and 2; Tyngsborough, Amesbury and Chelmsford; also the history of the Second Massachusetts Battery, by Mrs. Caroline E. Whitcomb; dedication exercises of boulder, marking site of the old Parson Tavern in Springfield on June 30, 1815; a badge worn by the Sons of the American Revolution who traversed the route of Washington from Philadelphia to Cambridge, who were met by our secretary and others at the Washington Elm on July 1, 1914.

Of Interest to Bird Lovers.

The United States Department of Agriculture has just issued a 27-page illustrated bulletin on "Some Common Birds Useful to the Farmer," the text of which is based upon a systematic investigation on the part of the Biological Survey, covering a period of years; of the habitat, food habits, and economic relation to agriculture of more than 50 birds common to the farming sections, such as the bluebirds, robins, titmice, wrens, brown thrasher, catbird, swallows, towhees, sparrows, house finch, the grackles; Brewer blackbird, Baltimore oriole, the meadowlarks, red winged blackbirds, bobolink, crow, blue jay, Pacific Coast jays, phoebes, nighthawks, woodpeckers, and cuckoos. Congressman Calvin D. Paige, of the Third Massachusetts district, will be pleased to mail a copy of this bulletin to any person living in that district who applies for the same. Address request to him at Room 512, House Office Building, Washington, D. C. Postage stamps are not necessary to insure receipt of the bulletin.

WARREN WATER WORKS.

Plan to Bond Town to Install a Proper System.

HEARING WILL BE HELD TO-MORROW.

By Legislative Committee in Town Hall. Opposition, and Hot Time Is Expected.

A lively time is expected to-morrow in Warren, when the Legislative committee on water supply will give a hearing in the town hall at 1 o'clock on the petition to bond the town for the purpose of installing a water supply. A large number of voters favor the proposition, but there are others who are firmly opposed to it, and the hearing promises to be entertaining.

On Monday every voter in the town received the following notice through the mail:

"A public hearing will be held by a committee from the State Legislature on the question of allowing the town of Warren to bond the town for the purpose of building a waterworks."

"This will be held at 1 p. m., Friday, March 5, 1915, in the Town Hall, Warren."

"Shall we assess all the taxpayers of this town for the benefit of only a few? Come to this hearing and express yourselves upon this question."

While no names were signed to the notices, it was pretty generally agreed who sent them, and the water project was the one topic of conversation on the streets. Two weeks ago, at a hearing held in Boston, the installation of a water system by the town was opposed by William A. Jenks, Walter B. Hall and Marcus Burroughs, while Joseph G. Hastings, Frank F. Phinney, Frank E. Gleason, Nathan H. Powers, William F. Duncan and I. Walter Moore appeared in its favor. Both sides will put up a vigorous fight to-morrow. Frank E. Gleason, chairman of the committee appointed at a special town meeting a few weeks ago, says: "We will have a crowd of people there, who will convince the committee that Warren is in need of a water system. Those who have the interest of the town schools at heart are already convinced that under the present conditions, if an epidemic should break out it would be a terrible thing for the town. The past year water has been very scarce here and the school children have had to drink water that was carried from nearby wells."

"Milestones" To-morrow and Saturday.

"Milestones," the Anglo-American comedy, is to be the attraction at the Court Square Theatre in Springfield to-morrow and Saturday evenings, with Saturday matinee. The story is about two English families, and its three acts cover a period of more than fifty years.

John Rhead is opposed by his senior partner and his proposed brother-in-law in his belief that iron ships were better than those of wood. They deny him the hand of Rose, regarding him as a traitor to their interests, though they are the largest manufacturers of iron in the largest city in the world—London—and in the very heart of the iron district on the Thames side. John marries Rose, however, becomes an Independent, and finally a wealthy builder of iron ships, a member of Parliament and a Baronet.

Arthur Preece is a workman in Sir John's foundry who realizes that steel must take the place of iron in sustaining the power of the British navy; and so he is in turn thwarted in his desire to marry Sir John's daughter, Emily. She yields to her stern old sire, and, marrying Lord Monkhurst, lives to find her only daughter, Lady Muriel, insisting against her wishes in uniting herself to her cousin, a promising young engineer in the Rhead establishment. Preece's advice and the pleadings of Sir John's maiden sister Gertrude overcome his pride and hard headedness, and there is a happy curtain, the victory of cupid. A contest won, however, as one must believe, only to be fought over again in the newly arising generation.

It is a story beautiful in conception, instructive and appealing; a romance, with love as its motive, its sustaining power and obdurate preachment, its denouement bringing no other information than that without love, supreme and overmastering, our poor old earth must be the dreariest of all planets, and if not eventually ceasing altogether to revolve, must find life extinct and its beauties left not to be gazed upon by mortal eyes.

Miss Edna Mason of School street has secured a position in Springfield, and began her duties there Monday.

Fine New Restaurant Opened.

Spa in Connection With Converse House Began Business Tuesday.

J. B. Dawson, proprietor of the Converse House, opened on Tuesday his new restaurant in connection with the hotel, utilizing the store next west of the hotel entrance, recently occupied by Hellyar's Bargain Store.

The place has been finely fitted up. The walls are of white enamel tiling, a narrow band of black about three feet from the floor making a pleasing break. Long panel bevel-edge mirrors are set in either side of the room for a distance of about ten feet. The fittings and equipment are of the latest and most approved patterns. Across the rear of the room is the serving counter, connecting with the kitchen in the back by means of a door; a serving opening in the wall aids in promptly caring for patrons. A little in front of the counter is a double shelf where are kept knives, forks and spoons, napkins, sugar, and other conveniences for patrons to help themselves. At one side is a faucet for drinking water and a shelf for glasses. All of these are constructed of white marble. Lunch chairs with broad arms on which to place food trays are ranged along one side of the room; on the other and in the center are small tables accommodating three or four persons each. These are of oak, the tables having porcelain tops.

In addition to the usual dairy lunch dishes there will be roasts and other ready-to-serve dishes at meal times, with order cooking of all kinds at any time. It will be kept open until 2 in the morning. The restaurant is the most attractive eating place in town, and will undoubtedly draw a large patronage. Mr. Dawson has closed the dining room of the hotel and will serve his patrons in the restaurant.

Raymond Hitchcock in "The Beauty Shop."

Raymond Hitchcock is announced as the attraction to occupy the stage of Court Square Theatre in Springfield Friday and Saturday nights of next week, with Saturday matinee. Mr. Hitchcock has a new play this season entitled "The Beauty Shop," a musical comedy. Almost any play that enlists the services of Raymond Hitchcock satisfies the expectancy of this comedian's following, who have watched his career in a large repertoire of successful productions in the field of farce, comic opera, musical melodrama and comedy. "The Beauty Shop" company in support of Mr. Hitchcock comprises nearly a hundred players, including a large cast and chorus. The entire New York outfit of players and scenic equipment will positively be presented here, just the same as in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston.

The cast includes Marion Sunshine, Anna Orr, Christine Nangasarian, Gertrude Webster, Margaret Poir, Agnes Gildea, Gertrude Barnard, Gertrude Aldrich, Earl Benham, Joseph Herbert Jr., George E. Mack, Edward Metcalfe, George Homaine and Fred Mason Emerson. Some of the song successes are: "In a Beauty Shop," "I Want To Look Like Lillian Russell," "Come Along Little Girl, Come Along," "Saturday Afternoon on Broadway," "That's The Way a Woman Wants a Man to Love," "When The Creditor Comes to Call," "Poor Uncle Gaszus," "In Corsica," "My Lady Fair," "All Dressed Up and No Place to Go," "Twas in September," "Ring Out, Glad Bells," "I Love You Just the Same," "The Fishing Fleet is Homeward Bound," "The Tale of a Mermaid," "My Tango Queen," and "We Will Sail Back Home."

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Cutler are making a short stay in New York.

Mrs. Mary Bill is confined to her home on Main street by illness.

Miss Kathryn Cutler, who has been visiting in Boston, has returned home. John D. Bosler of Holyoke has been a guest of Mrs. Mowry for the past week.

Mrs. Robert P. Trask has been entertaining Miss Viola Sullivan of Somerville.

The annual meeting of Grace Union church will be held Saturday evening at the church.

Mrs. T. T. Clark entertained the Woman's Missionary Society last Thursday afternoon.

Maiden Lane street was closed to traffic last week on account of wash-outs due to the recent heavy rains.

The Men's Club will hold its meeting in the church to-night, when an illustrated talk will be given by Harry Howe of Palmer.

Winthrop Bell spoke before the King's Sons last Friday, giving a report of the convention of the Y. M. C. A., which he recently attended in Pawtucket, R. I.

NAME CHIEF OF POLICE.

Selectmen Create New But Much Needed Office.

NIGHT OFFICER CRIMMINS THE MAN.

Other Officers of Town Will be Under His Orders. Will Also Prepare Court Cases.

The selectmen have appointed the following night police: Palmer, T. J. Crimmins; Three Rivers, James J. Manning; Thorndike, Edward F. McKelligitt; Bondsville, J. F. Mansfield.

They have appointed Officer Crimmins chief of police, and he will have the direction of the other officers, under instructions from the selectmen. They will look to him for orders, and follow out his instructions. In addition, he will prepare all cases for presentation in the district court, seeing that everything is in readiness when the cases are called.

The appointment of a head for the police force is the result of a series of happenings—none of them of particular moment perhaps—throughout the last few years which have made the need of such a head plainly apparent. As an example, in a recent important matter four officers were on the ground in an endeavor to apprehend a criminal, all anxious to do everything possible to capture the man wanted, but none of them with authority or power to take the lead and issue orders to the others. Changed conditions incident to increased trolley and automobile travel have also aided in creating a situation which demanded the move now taken if the best results were to be obtained. The voters, at the annual town meeting, gave the selectmen power to make rules and regulations for the government of the officers, and they have inaugurated the new plan with the expectation that much good will result.

Charles B. Thomas of Palmer has been appointed a special officer, and it is expected that others will be named later.

BELCHERTOWN.

Bertram Shaw cut a severe gash in his hand last Thursday.

Mrs. E. A. Fuller entertained the Busy Buzzers last week.

Joseph LaBelle of Indian Orchard has bought the Simpson farm of Edward Smith of Enfield.

Miss Merle Gay of the Turkey Hill district entertained a number of her young friends at her home Saturday evening.

William Kimball Jr. sprained his ankle and the ligaments of his foot while sliding recently, and will be obliged to use crutches for a time.

The following officers have been chosen in the recently formed Baptist Missionary Society: President, Mrs. H. F. Curtis; secretary, Mrs. Eugene Randall; treasurer, Mrs. E. D. Stebbins. A meeting was held with Mrs. Curtis yesterday afternoon.

At the meeting of Union Grange Tuesday evening the following subjects were taken up: "Care of young chicks," "Feeding for laying," and "Feeding for market." Discussions on preparing the soil for different farm crops were led as follows: Potatoes, D. P. Spencer; corn, George Akers; berries, Everett C. Howard.

About 40 were present at the meeting of the Turkey Hill Rest Club at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Gay last Thursday evening. Mrs. Jewell B. Knight, dressed in the costume of India, told stories of that country. The children were also dressed in the costume of the natives. Readings were given by the Misses Olds, Moriarty and Gay, and by Mrs. Jason Hurlburt. A supper was served.

WILBRAHAM.

F. A. Bodurtha attended the funeral of his uncle, William Bailey, in New Haven, Ct., Sunday.

Miss Carrie L. Moody acted as hostess to the Woman's Club this afternoon at its meeting in the chapel of the South church.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Methodist Episcopal church will be held in the South church to-morrow night at 7 o'clock.

Myron L. Bruer, Mrs. H. Claude Hardy and Mrs. Frank Learned were chosen delegates to the Sunday school district convention to be held in Holyoke the 12th, by the Sunday school of the Wilbraham church at its meeting last Sunday.

Miss Dorothy Buck of North Main street is spending the week with friends in New Haven, Ct.

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CHAPTER I.

East Is East.

It began somewhere in the middle of the world, at a forlorn landing on the west bank of the muddy, turbulent Irrawaddy, remembered by man only so often as it was necessary for the flotilla boat to call for paddy, a visiting commissioner anxious to get away, or a family homeward bound. On the east side of the river, over there, was a semblance of civilization. That is to say, men wore white linen, avoided murder, and frequently paid their gambling debts. But on this west side stood wilderness, not the kind one reads about as being eventually conquered by white men; no, the real, grim desolation, where the ax cuts but leaves no blaze, where the pioneer disappears and few or none follow. It was not the wilderness of the desert, of the jungle; rather the tragic, hopeless state of a settlement that neither progressed, retarded nor stood still.

Between the landing and the settlement itself stretched a winding road, arid and treeless, perhaps two miles in length. It announced definitely that its end was futility. The dust hung like a fog above it, not only for this day, but for all days between the big rains. When the gods, or the elements, or Providence, arranged the world as a fit habitation for man, India and Burma were made the dust-bins. And as water finds its levels, so will dust, earthly and human, the quick and the dead.

Along the road walked two men, phantomlike. One saw their heads dimly and still more dimly their bodies to the knees; of legs there was nothing visible. Occasionally they stepped aside to permit some bullock cart to pass. One of them swore, not with any evidence of temper, nor viciously, but in a kind of mechanical protest, which, from long usage, had become a habit. He directed these epithets never at anything he could by mental or physical contest overcome. He swore at the dust, at the heat, at the wind, at the sun.

The other wayfarer, with the inherent patience of his blood, said nothing and waited, setting down the heavy kit bag and the canvas valise—his own. When the way was free again he would sling the kit bag and the valise over his shoulder and step back into the road. His turban, once white, was brown with dust and sweat. His khaki uniform was rent and the ragged canvas shoes spouted little spirals of dust as he walked. James Hooghly was Eurasian; half-European, half-Indian, having his place twixt heaven and hell, which is to say, nowhere. He was faithful, willing and strong; and as a carrier of burdens took uncomplainingly his place beside the tireless bullock and the elephant. He was a Methodist; why, no one could find lucid answer. By dint of inquiry his master had learned that James looked upon his baptism and conversion in Methodism as a corporal would have looked upon the acquisition of a V. C. Twice, during fever and plague, he had saved his master's life. With the guilelessness of the Oriental he considered himself responsible for his master in all future times. Instead of paying off a debt he had acquired one. Treated as he was, kindly but always firmly, he would have surrendered his life cheerfully at the beck of the white man.

Warrington was an American. He was also one of those men who never held misfortune in contempt, whose outlook wherever it roamed was tolerant. He had patience for the weak, resolution for the strong and a fearless amiability toward all. He was like the St. Bernard dog, very difficult to arouse. It is rather the way with all men who are strong mentally and physically. He was tall and broad and deep. Under the battered pith helmet his face was as dark as the Eurasian's; but the eyes were blue, bright and small pupils, as they are with men who live out of doors, who are compelled of necessity to note things moving at distances. The nose was large and well defined. All framed in a tangle of blond beard and mustache which, if anything, added to the general manliness of his appearance. He, too, wore khaki, but with the addition of tan riding leggings, which had seen anything but rock-horse service. The man was yellow from the top of his helmet to the soles of his shoes—outside. For the rest, he was a mystery, to James, to all who thought they knew him, and most of all to himself. A pariah, an outcast, a fugitive from the bloodless hand of the law; a gentleman born, once upon a time a clubman; college bred; a contradiction, a puzzle for which there was not any solution, not even in the hidden corners of the man's heart. His name wasn't Warrington; and he had rubbed elbows with the dregs of humanity, and still looked you straight in the eye because he had come through inferno without bringing any of the defiling pitch.

From time to time he paused to right his crumbling cheroot. The to-

bacco was strong and bitter and stung his parched lips; but the craving for the tang of the smoke on his tongue was not to be denied.

Under his arm he carried a small iron cage, patterned something like a rat trap. It contained a Rajputana parakeet, not much larger than a robin, but possessor of a soul as fierce as that of Palladin, minus, however, the soothing influence of chivalry. He had been born under the eaves of the scarlet palace in Jaipur (so his history ran); but the proximity of Indian princes had left him untouched; he had neither chivalry, politeness, nor diplomacy. He was, in fact, thoroughly and consistently bad. Round and round he went, over and over, top side, down side, restlessly. For at this moment he was hearing those familiar evening sounds which no human ear can discern—the mutterings of the day birds about to seek cover for the night. In the field at the right of the road stood a lonely tree. It was covered with brilliant scarlet leaves and blossoms, and justly the natives call it the Flame of the Jungle. A flock of small birds were gyrating above it.

"Jah, jah, jah! Jah—jah—ja-a-a-h!" cried the parrot, imitating the Burmese bell gong that calls to prayer. Instantly he followed the call with a shriek so piercing as to sting the ear of the man who was carrying him.

"You little son of a gun!" he laughed; "where do you pack away all that noise?"

There was a strange bond between the big yellow man and this little green bird. The bird did not suspect it, but the man knew. The pluck, the pugnacity and the individuality of the feathered comrade had been an object lesson to the man, at a time when he had been on the point of throwing up the fight.

"Jah, jah, jah! Jah—jah—ja-a-a-h!" The bird began its interminable somersaults, pausing only to reach for the tantalizing finger of the man, who laughed again as he withdrew the digit in time.

For six years he had carried the bird with him, through India and Burma and Malacca, and not yet had he won a sign of surrender. There were many scars on his forefingers. It was amazing. With one pressure of his hand he could have crushed out the life of the bird, but over its brave, unconquerable spirit he had no power. And that is why he loved it.

Far away in the past they had met. He remembered the day distinctly and bitterly. He had been on the brink of self-destruction. Fever and poverty and terrible loneliness had battered and beaten him flat into the dust, from which this time he had no wish to rise. He had walked out to the railway station at Jaipur to witness the arrival of the tourist train from Ahmadabad. The natives surged about the train, with brassware, antique articles of warfare, tiger hunting knives (accompanied by perennial fairy tales), skins and silks. There were beggars, holy men, guides and fakirs.

Squatted in the dust before the door of a first-class carriage was a solemn, brown man, in turban and clout, exhibiting performing parrots. It was Rajah's turn. He fired a cannon, turned somersaults through a little steel hoop, opened a tiny chest, took out a four-anna piece, carried it to his master, and in exchange received some seed. Thereupon he waddled resentfully back to the iron cage, opened the door, closed it behind him, and began to mutter belligerently. Warrington haggled for two straight hours. When he returned to his sordid, evil smelling lodgings that night he possessed the parrot and four rupees, and sat up the greater part of the night trying to make the bird perform his tricks. The idea of suicide no longer bothered him; trifling though it was, he had found an interest in life. And on the morrow came the Eurasian, who trustfully loaned Warrington every coin that he could scrape together.

Often, in the dreary heat-achy days that followed, when weeks passed ere he saw the face of a white man, when he had to combat opium and bhang and laziness in the natives under him, the bird and his funny tricks had saved him from whisky, or worse. In camp he gave Rajah much freedom, its wings being clipped; and nothing pleased the little rebel so much as to claw his way up to his master's shoulder, sit there and watch the progress of the razor, with intermittent "jawing" at his own reflection in the cracked hand mirror.

Up and down the Irrawaddy, at the resthouses, on the boats, to those of a jocular turn of mind the three were known as "Parrot & Co." Warrington's amiability often misled the various scoundrels with whom he was at times forced to associate. A man who smiled most of the time and talked Hindustani to a parrot was not to be accorded much courtesy; until one day Warrington had settled all distinctions, finally and primordially, with the square of his fists. After that he went on his way unmolested,

having soundly trounced one of the biggest bullies in the teak timber yards at Rangoon.

He made no friends; he had no confidences to exchange; nor did he offer to become the repository of other men's pasts. But he would share his bread and his rupees, when he had them, with any who asked. Many tried to dig into his past but he was as unresponsive as granite. It takes a woman to find out what a man is and has been, and Warrington went about women in a wide circle. In a way he was the most baffling kind of a mystery to those who knew him; he frequented the haunts of men, took a friendly drink, played cards for small sums, laughed and jested like any other anchorless man. In the East men are given curious names. They become known by phrases, such as, The Man Who Talks, Mr. Once Upon a Time, The One-Rupee Man, and the like. As Warrington never received any mail, as he never entered a hotel, nor spoke of the past, he became The Man Who Never Talked of Home.

"I say, James, old sport, no more going up and down this bally old river. We'll go on to Rangoon tonight, if we can find a berth."

"Yes, sahib; this business very piffle," replied the Eurasian without turning his head. Two things he dearly loved to acquire—a bit of American slang and a bit of English silver. He was invariably changing rupees into shillings, and Warrington could not convince him that he was always losing in the transaction.

They tramped on through the dust. The sun dropped. A sudden chill began to penetrate the haze. The white man puffed his cheroot, its wrapper dangling; the servant hummed an Urdu lullaby; the parrot complained unceasingly.

Warrington laughed and shook the dust from his beard. "It's a great



"Two Rupees!" James Paused and Turned.

world, James, a great, wonderful world. I've just two rupees myself. In other words we are busted."

"Two rupees!" James paused and turned. "Why, sahib, you have three hundred thousand rupees in your pocket."

"But not worth an anna until I get to Rangoon. Didn't those duffers give you anything for handling their luggage the other day?"

"Not a pice, sahib."

"Rotters! It takes an Englishman to turn a small trick like that. Well, well; there were extenuating circumstances. They had three heads. No man likes to pay three hundred thousand for something he could have bought for ten thousand. And I made them come to me, James, to me. I made them come to this god-forsaken hole, just because it pleased my fancy. I believe I'm heaven born, after all. The Lord hates a quitter, and so do I. I nearly quit myself, once; eh, Rajah, old top? But I made them come to me. That's the milk in the coconut, the curry on the rice. They almost had me. Two rupees! It truly is a great world."

"Jah, jah, jah! Jah—jah—ja-a-a-h!" screamed the parrot. "Chaloo!"

"Go on! That's the ticket. If I were a praying man this would be the time for it. Three hundred thousand rupees!" The man looked at the far horizon, as if he would force his gaze beyond, into the delectable land, the Eden out of which he had been driven. "James, I owe you three hundred rupees, and I am going to add seven hundred more. We've been fighting this old top for six years together, and you've been a good servant and a good friend; and I'll take you with me as far as this fortune will go, if you say the word."

"Ah, sahib, I am much sorry. But Delhi calls, and I go. A thousand rupees will make much business for me in the Chandney Chowk."

Presently they became purple shades in a brown world.

CHAPTER II.

A Man With a Past.

The oriental night air was stifling. It was without refreshment; it became a labor and not an exhilaration to breathe it. A pall of suffocating dust rolled above and about the Irrawaddy flotilla boat which, buffeted by the strong, irregular current, strained at its cables, now at the bow, now at the stern, not dissimilar to the last, rocking of a deserted swing. This sensation was quite perceptible to the girl who leaned over the bow rail, her handkerchief pressed to her nose, and gazed interestedly at the steep bank, up and down which the sweating coo-

An Incurable Coquette

By EDITH V. ROSS

In antebellum days there were shooting matches among the gentlemen of the southern states in defense of their honor, the causes of which were usually published to the world. But when a woman was the subject of dispute some other cause was invented in order to keep her name out of the matter. At times when the ingenuity of the participants failed them in inventing a cause they would resort to absurd expedients.

Miss Cary Randolph many years ago was a belle in Charleston, S. C. Among her suitors were Robert Fitz-Hugh and Percy Bryce, both South Carolinians. Miss Randolph was not averse to setting her suitors against one another. It gratified her amour propre. But in this case she went too far.

One day while she was walking with Fitz-Hugh Bryce passed them. The lady smiled on him and invited him to join them. She knew that neither would relish the presence of the other, but this did not trouble her; she wished her friends to see her with one of the men who were known to be devoted to her on each side of her.

Having paraded her lovers before her friends she turned in the direction of her home and on arriving there dismissed them. Had she asked them to go in with her there might have been no unfortunate result. Had she asked one of them in it would have been tantamount to an expression of preference. This, too, would have ended the matter, for they were both gentlemen and either would have taken his dismissal as final. Leaving them to walk away together was the worst thing she could have done.

They proceeded some distance, remarking upon the weather and such other makeshift topics; then when they were about to part Fitz-Hugh said to Bryce:

"I was surprised at your intrusion. The lady invited me."

"That was common politeness."

"If you think yourself aggrieved you have a right to reparation."

Both men were ready to explode, but Fitz-Hugh repressed his feelings for the time and, turning on his heel, walked away. As he proceeded jealousy got the better of him, and, seeking his friend Walter Raymond, he commissioned him to take a challenge to Bryce. Raymond asked the cause and when told of it replied that he would have nothing to do with an affair that would bring in the name of a lady, whereupon Fitz-Hugh told him to make up a pretext to be given to the world as the cause of the duel. Raymond, after some thought, decided that the ostensible reason for the quarrel was to be that Bryce had called Fitz-Hugh a redhead. Fitz-Hugh's hair was auburn. This was not a reason calculated to deceive the public, but Raymond had no inventive genius, and it was the best he could do.

Miss Randolph had made choice between these two men—a very decided choice. She was ready to give herself to one of them. But she desired to prolong the pleasure of being courted by both and make herself more valuable to the man she loved by rendering her winning more difficult.

Despite the effort made to keep the coming meeting a secret from her, she got wind of it. On the morning appointed for the duel she mounted a cob and rode to the grounds, arriving there just in time to see the rivals for her hand standing facing each other with deadly intent. Her presence put a stop to the proceedings. "I have heard," she said, "that one of you gentlemen is about to kill the other. Since I have made up my mind to accept a proposition of marriage from one of you I object to the other killing him."

The rivals glared at each other, but said nothing. The seconds, who were opposed to the meeting, saw an opportunity to stop it where it was.

"Perhaps," said Bryce's second after an awkward pause, "Miss Randolph will deign to remove the cause of the quarrel."

"What is the cause?" asked the lady. Again there was a pause, more awkward than the first, at the end of which Fitz-Hugh's second said that her principal had been insulted by being called a redhead. If Miss Randolph would decide whether Mr. Fitz-Hugh's hair was red it would end the matter.

"Mr. Fitz-Hugh's hair is a fiery red," she said, "but that has nothing to do with my preference."

Fitz-Hugh colored. "Gentlemen," he said, "I see no reason why this affair should not proceed."

"Nor I," added Bryce. Miss Randolph made no interposition until one of the seconds had given the word "Ready" and the other stood ready to give the signal to fire by dropping a handkerchief. This man, expecting that Miss Randolph would indicate her preference, delayed, keeping an eye upon her.

She smiled at him. "This is absurd," he said. "Do you intend to risk losing the man you love? Decide."

"How can I," she replied. "In such a public fashion?"

"Gentlemen, shut your eyes," said the second.

Every man except the principals closed his eyes. Hearing a laugh at some distance from them, they opened them to see Miss Randolph walking away with her arm through that of Mr. Fitz-Hugh.

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Parrot & Co.

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Lies swarmed like gargantuan rats. A dozen torches were stuck into the ground above the crumbling ledge; she saw the flames as one sees a burning match cupped in a smoker's hands, shedding light upon nothing save that which stands immediately behind it.

She choked a little. Her eyes smarted. Her lips were slightly cracked, and cold-cream seemed only to provide a surer resting place for the impalpable dust. It had penetrated through wool and linen and silk, intimately, until three baths a day had become a welcome routine, providing it was possible to obtain water. Water. Her tongue ran across her lips. Oh, for a drink from the old cold pure spring at home! Tea, coffee, and bottled soda; nothing that ever touched the thirsty spots in her throat.

She looked up at the stars and they looked down upon her, but what she asked they could not, would not, answer. Night after night she had asked, and night after night they had only twinkled as of old. She had traveled now for four months, and still the doubt beset her. It was to be a leap in the dark, with no one to tell her what was on the other side. But why this insistent doubt? Why could she not take the leap gladly, as a woman should who had given the affirmative to a man? With him she was certain that she loved him, away from him she did not know what sentiment really abided in her heart. She was wise enough to realize that something was wrong; and there were but three months between her and the inevitable decision. Never before had she known other than momentary indecision; and it irked her to find that her clarity of vision was fallible and human like the rest of her. The truth was, she didn't know her mind. She shrugged, and the movement stirred the dust that had gathered upon her shoulders.

"A rare old lot of dust; eh, Miss Chetwood? I wish we could travel by night, but you can't trust this blooming old Irrawaddy after sundown. Charts are so much waste-paper."

"I never cease wondering how those poor coolies can carry those heavy rice bags," she replied to the purser. "Oh, they are used to it," carelessly. The great gray stack of paddy-bags seemed, in the eyes of the girl, fairly to melt away.

"By Jove!" exclaimed the purser. "There's Parrot & Co.!" He laughed and pointed toward one of the torches. "Parrot & Co.? I do not understand."

"That big blond chap behind the fourth torch. Yes, there. Sometime I'll tell you about him. Picturesque duffer."

She could have shrieked aloud, but all she did was to draw in her breath with a gasp that went so deep it gave her heart a twinge. Her fingers tightened upon the teak rail. Suddenly she knew, and was ashamed of her weakness. It was simply a remarkable likeness, nothing more than that; it could not possibly be anything more. Still, a ghost could not have startled her as this living man had done.

"Who is he?"

"A chap named Warrington. But over here that signifies nothing; might just as well be Jones or Smith or Brown. We call him Parrot & Co. He's always carrying that Rajputana parrot. You've seen the kind around the palaces and forts; saber-like wings, long tail-feathers, green and blue and scarlet, and the ugliest little rascals going. This one is trained to do tricks."

"But the man!" impatiently.

He eyed her, mildly surprised. "Oh, he puzzles us all a bit, you know. Well educated; somewhere back a gentleman; from the States. Of course I don't know; something shady, probably. They don't tramp about like this otherwise. For all that, he's rather a decent sort; no boulder like this rascal we left at Mandalay. He never talks about himself. I fancy he's lonesome again."

"Lonesome?"

"It's the way, you know. These poor beggars drop aboard for the night, merely to see a white woman again, to hear decent English, to dress and dine like a human being. They disappear the next day, and often we never see them again."

"What do they do?" The question came to her lips mechanically.

"Paddy-fields. White men are needed to oversee them. And then, there's the railway, and there's the new oil country north of Prome. You'll see the wells tomorrow. Rather fancy this Warrington chap has been working along the new pipe line. They're running them down to Rangoon. If he's with us tomorrow, I'll have him put the parrot through its turns. An amusing little beggar."

"Why not introduce him to me?"

"Beg pardon?"

"I'll take all the responsibility. It's a whim."

"Well, you American girls are the eighth wonder of the world." The purser was distinctly annoyed. "And it may be an impertinence on my part, but I never yet saw an American woman who would accept advice or act upon it."

"Thanks. What would you advise?" with dangerous sweetness.

"Not to meet this man. It's irregular. I know nothing about him. If you had a father or a brother on board."

"Or even a husband!" laughing.

"There you are!" resignedly. "You laugh. You women go everywhere, and half the time unprotected."

"Never quite unprotected. We never venture beyond the call of gentlemen."

"That is true," brightening. "You insist on meeting this chap?"

"I do not insist; only, I am bored."

and he might interest me for an hour." She added: "Besides, he may annoy the others."

The purser grinned reluctantly. "You and the colonel don't get on. Well, I'll introduce this chap at dinner. If I don't."

"I am fully capable of speaking to him without any introduction whatever." She laughed again. "It will be very kind of you."

When he had gone she mused over this impulse so alien to her character. An absolute stranger, a man with a past, perhaps a fugitive from justice; and because he looked like Arthur Ellison, she was seeking his acquaintance. Something, then, could break through her reserve and aloofness? She had traveled from San Francisco to Colombo, unattended save by an elderly maiden who had risen by gradual stages from nurse to companion, but who could not be made to remember that she was no longer a nurse. In all these four months Elsa had not made half a dozen acquaintances, and of these she had not sought one. Yet, she was asking to meet a stranger whose only recommendation was a singular likeness to another man. The purser was right. It was very irregular.

"Parrot & Co.!" she murmured. She searched among the phantoms moving to and fro upon the ledge; but the man with the cage was gone. It was really uncanny.

Elsa Chetwood was twenty-five, lithely built, outwardly reposed, but dynamic within. Education, environment and breeding had somewhat smothered the glowing fires. She was a type of the ancient repression of woman, which finds its exceptions in the Aspasias and Helens and Cleopatras of legend and history. In features she looked exactly what she was, well-bred and well-born. Beauty she also had, but it was the cold beauty of northern winter nights. It compelled admiration rather than invited it. Spiritually, Elsa was asleep. The fire was there, the gift of loving greatly, only it smoldered, without radiating even the knowledge of its presence. Men loved her, but in awe, as one loves the marbles of Phidias. She knew no restraint, and yet she had passed through her stieress years restrained. Her independence was inherent and not acquired. She had laid down certain laws for herself to follow; and that these often clashed with the laws of convention, which are fetters to those who divide society into three classes, only mildly amused her. Right from wrong she knew, and that sufficed her.

Her immediate relatives were dead; those who were distantly related remained so, as they had no part in her life nor she in theirs. From her father she had inherited a remarkable and seldom errant judgment. To her, faces were generally book covers, they repelled or attracted; and she found large and undiminished interest in the faculty of pressing back the covers and reading the text. Often battered covers held treasures, and often the editions de luxe were swindles. But in between the battered covers and the exquisite Florentine hand-tooled there ranged a row of mediocre books; and it was among these that Elsa found that her instinct was not wholly infallible, as will be seen.

Today she was facing the first problem of her young life, epochal. She was, as it were, to stop and begin life anew. And she didn't know, she wasn't sure.

There were few passengers aboard. There were three fussy old English maidens under the protection of a still fussier old colonel. The quartet greatly amused Elsa. Their nods were abrupt, and they spoke in the most formal manner. She was under grave

suspicion; in the first place, she was traveling alone in the second place, she was an American. At table there was generally a desultory conversation and many a barb of malice Elsa shot from her bow. Figuratively, the colonel walked about like a porcupine, bristling with arrows instead of quills. Elsa could have shouted at times, for the old war dog was perfectly oblivious. There was, besides, the inevitable German tourist, who shelled with questions every man who wore brass buttons, until there was some serious talk of dropping him astern some day. He had shelled the colonel, but that gentleman was snugly incased in the finest and most impenetrable Bessemer complacency.

Upon these Irrawaddy boats the purser is usually the master of ceremonies in the dining saloon. Elsa usually sat at the purser's right, and tonight, she found the stranger sitting



"Parrot & Co.!" She murmured.

ting quietly at her side. The chair had been vacant since the departure from Mandalay. Evidently the purser had decided to be thorough in regard to her wishes. It would look less conspicuous to make the introduction in this manner. And she wanted to meet this man who had, almost made her cry out in astonishment.

"Miss Chetwood, Mr. Warrington." This was as far as the purser would unbend.

The colonel's eyes popped; the hands of the three maidens fluttered. Warrington bowed awkwardly, for he was decidedly confused.

"Ha!" boomed the German. "Vat do you tink uff."

And from soup to coffee Warrington eluded, dodged, stepped under and ran around the fusillade of questions.

Elsa laughed softly. There were breathing spells, to be sure. Under the cover of this verbal bombardment she found time to inspect the stranger. The likeness, so close at hand, started a ringing in her ears and a flutter in her throat. It was almost unbelievable. He was bigger, broader, his eyes were keener, but there was only one real difference: this man was rugged, whereas Arthur was elegant. It was as if nature had taken two forms from the same mold, and had finished but one of them. His voice was not unpleasant, but there were little sharp points of harshness in it, due quite possibly to the dust.

"I am much interested in that little parrot of yours. I have heard about him."

"Oh! I suppose you've heard what they call us?" His eyes looked straight into hers, smilingly.

"Parrot & Co.? Yes. Will you show him off tomorrow?"

"I shall be very happy to."

But all the while he was puzzling over the purser's unaccountable action in deliberately introducing him to this brown-eyed, golden-skinned young woman. Never before had such a thing occurred upon these boats. True, he had occasionally been spoken to; an idle question flung at him, like a bare bone to a dog. If flung by an Englishman, he answered it courteously, and subsided. He had been snubbed too many times not to have learned this lesson. It never entered his head that the introduction might have been brought about by the girl's interest. He was too mortally shy of women to conceive of such a possibility. So his gratitude was extended to the purser, who, on his side, regretted his good-natured recommendations of the previous hour.

When Elsa learned that the man at her side was to proceed to Rangoon, she ceased to ask him any more questions. She preferred to read her books slowly. Once, while he was engaging the purser, her glance ran over his clothes. She instantly berated her impulsive criticism as a bit of downright caddishness. The lapels of the coat were shiny; the winged collar gave evidence of having gone to the native laundry once too often, and the cuff buttons were of ordinary rupee silver. The ensemble suggested that since the purchase of these habiliments of civilization the man had grown, expanded.

Immediately after dinner she retired to her stateroom, conscious that her balance needed readjusting. She had heard and read much lore concerning reincarnation, skeptically; yet here, within call of her voice, was Arthur, not the shadow of a substance, but Arthur, shorn of his elegance, his soft, lazy voice, his half-dreaming eyes, his charming indolence. Why should this man's path cross hers, out of all the millions that ran parallel?

She opened her window and looked up at the stars again. She wondered what this man had done to put him beyond the pale. It was not possible that dishonor lurked behind those frank blue eyes. She turned from the window and threw open one of her kit-bags, delved among the soft fabrics and silks and produced a photograph. She had not glanced at it during all these weeks. There had been a purpose back of this apparent neglect. The very thing she dreaded happened. Her pulse beat on, evenly, unstirred. She was a failure.

In the photograph the man's beard was trimmed Valois; the beard of the man who had sat next to her at dinner had grown freely and naturally, full. Such a beard was out of fashion, save among country doctors. It signified carelessness, indifference, or a full life wherein the niceties of the razor had of necessity been ignored. Keenly she searched the familiar likeness. What an amazing freak of nature! It was unreal. She tossed the photograph back into the kit-bag, bewildered, uneasy.

Meantime Warrington followed the purser into his office. "I haven't paid for my stateroom yet," he said.

"I'll make it out at once. Rangoon, I understand?"

"Yes. But I'm in a difficulty. I have nothing in change but two rupees."

The purser froze visibly. The tale was true in his ears.

"But I fancy I've rather good security to offer," went on Warrington coolly. He drew from his wallet a folded slip of paper and spread it out.

The purser stared at it, enchanted. Warrington stared down at the purser, equally enchanted.

"By Jove!" the former gasped finally. "And so you're the chap who's been holding up the oil syndicate all these months? And you're the chap who made them come to this bally landing three days ago?"

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MARCH'S advent and conduct so far have been in full keeping with her reputation—decidedly leonine.

IT'S AN ill wind that blows nobody good. With Europe an unattractive place for tourists, the big fair on the Pacific coast is likely to be well patronized. The attendance the first week was 619,000, against 257,000 for Chicago's first week and 325,000 for St. Louis.

IF ONE were to start out to "make the punishment fit the crime," the Boston bakers who have been mixing plaster of paris with their flour to bring the bread loaves up to the required weight at a considerable saving in expense, might properly be compelled to subsist on a still "richer" mixture of the stuff for a time.

WHILE the familiar saying, "Beggars should not be choosers," is all right in theory, it does not always work out so in practice. From Chicago, where 600 men a day apply at the municipal labor exchange for work, it is reported that they are practically unanimous in refusing to leave the city to work on farms. Apparently what they want is charity, not honest labor.

THE record of the Pennsylvania railroad for 1914—200,000,000 persons carried on over 1,000,000 trains over 26,000 miles of track without a fatal accident—seems to prove that a reasonable degree of safety can be attained in railroad travel. And it is to be recalled that the New Haven road has been remarkably free from accidents for some time. Evidently the "Safety first" slogan is not merely for advertising purposes.

Now that it has been decided that a bill permitting cities and towns, by ordinance, to regulate outdoor advertising would be constitutional, no time should be lost in getting one on the statute books. There is hardly a town in the commonwealth which could not be benefited by it, and every leading thoroughfare is disfigured by monstrosities which the greed for a few dollars permits. Let us have the law, by all means.

THE story of the tank steamer loaded with benzine and ablaze from end to end, the flames being extinguished by giant waves which broke over the vessel, allowing the crew which had taken to the boats to return, which was brought into New York this week has a decidedly Munchausen flavor when one remembers the nature of benzine. But then, the sea does some strange things at times.

THEY do things differently over in England, and some of their methods are not so bad after all. An unauthorized strike of a few shipyard engineers for an advance of four cents an hour—an offer of one and a half cents having been refused—which was likely to spread to 100,000 men, was promptly brought to an end Friday, the government ordering the men back to work Monday, promising that a court of arbitration should speedily consider the matter.

LOVERS of nature regret the denuding of the Point of Rocks, which has been accomplished during the last few weeks. There was much natural beauty about this promontory, running down from the hills to North Main street and covered with stately trees. The woodman's ax has changed all this to piles of brush and cordwood, saw logs, and bare granite which seems to appeal for something to cover its naked ugliness. Only a few trees, under another ownership, remain, and these only serve to more forcibly accentuate the loss of the others.

Annual Sale and Supper Next Week.

The Ladies' Society of the Congregational church will hold their annual sale and supper on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week in the church parlors. The sale will open at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, and continue afternoon and evening of that day and Wednesday. A supper will be served at 6.30 Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday evening there will be an entertainment, with ice cream for sale. Useful and fancy articles will be offered in the usual variety.

PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Saturday will be Gingham Day at Stone's store. See the adv. prices.

Nice Dry Hard Wood, any length, delivered to order. Phone William C. Moulton, 129-2, Monson.

Committee Working on Plan.

For Federation of Churches. To Report When Work Is Done.

The committee of the Congregational and Universalist churches, appointed recently to formulate, if possible, articles under which the churches might be federated into one organization, are at work on the proposition. They have met and considered a portion of the tentative articles of federation presented at the first meeting as a starting point, and will continue until all have been gone over.

There seems to be some misunderstanding regarding the committee's work. When the project was first suggested, a little more than four weeks ago, it was at once apparent that there must be some definite proposition before the churches could take definite action. To this end a committee of three was appointed by each church, to meet jointly and consider the proposition and formulate a plan which was to be presented to the churches later for their consideration. It is this plan that the committee is working on, and neither society is to be bound by the results which may be attained. When the committee has finished its work the results will be laid before the congregations for acceptance or rejection.

There has been much talk on the subject throughout the town since the matter was made public, with many expressions of belief in the benefits which will accrue if the plan can be satisfactorily worked out.

Petition For Oil Tanks.

The Gulf Refining Company has petitioned the selectmen for permission to erect three 15,000-gallon tanks for the storage of kerosene and gasoline on land adjoining the tracks of the Central Vermont railroad on Water street, just east of the Converse so-called "Red Block." The selectmen will give a hearing to all interested in their room on Wednesday evening of next week.

The schools of the town will begin again next Monday after a vacation of one week.

Mrs. S. H. Hellyar of Squier street is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Bennett, in New Britain, Ct.

Miss Esther Holbrook of North Main street is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Buck of Worcester.

Miss Ruth Connor of Mount Holyoke College spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. E. C. Gould of Holbrook street.

Miss Marjorie Stevenson of the Fitchburg Normal School is at her home on North Main street for a short vacation.

The high school basketball team will play Ludlow this evening. Saturday evening they will play Northampton High in Thorndike.

The annual meeting of the Young Men's Library Association, called for Tuesday evening, was adjourned for three weeks until the 23d.

H. M. Howe, manager of the Palmer mills of the Whittall Carpet Company, will give an address before the Men's Club of North Wilbraham this evening.

W. E. Stone & Son announce a special sale of gingham for next Saturday at their store. Special prices will be found in their advertisement in another column.

Rev. Otto S. Raspe moved his family Saturday to Freeport, Maine, having accepted a call to the pastorate of the Universalist churches in Freeport and Brunswick.

Miss Marion Davis of Thorndike was taken to the Wing Memorial Hospital Monday with an attack of appendicitis. She was successfully operated on Tuesday, and is doing nicely.

The District Sewing Circle was entertained last Thursday evening at the home of Miss Thora Johnson. All members were present and enjoyed a pleasant evening. The next meeting will be held at the home of the Misses Christiansen next Thursday evening.

E. L. Fogg of Springfield has bought the painting and paper hanging equipment of the late Henry T. Huntington, and will continue the business in the shop in the rear of the Huntington home on Pine street, where he may be reached by either telephone or mail. A more detailed announcement will be found in the advertising columns.

Two young men who appeared in the district court yesterday morning as vagrants because they had applied to the police for lodging the night before, were sentenced to 14 days each in the house of correction. They said they had been seeking two months for something to do, and did not look like habitual vagrants. They expressed a desire to do anything possible, and as jobs were found for both of them and they expressed a desire to go to work, sentence was suspended and they were sent along to "get busy," and both are making good.

Buya Land For Camp and Trout Hatchery.

Arthur E. Fitch has purchased a tract of land containing about 15 acres on the Maxwell farm west of the village of Palmer, and plans extensive operations there in the near future. The land lies on a slope which makes it ideal for camping purposes, and it is Mr. Fitch's intention to establish one there for his family next summer. Later it is possible that others may be erected. A portion of the plot is wooded, and the Thayer brook runs through it. On this Mr. Fitch plans to build pools for the raising of brook trout. The stream is a good one for this purpose. Work will be commenced as soon as the weather will permit.

Lecture Will Be Free.

Rev. H. F. Moulton, formerly pastor of St. Paul's Universalist church, will give an illustrated lecture in the church this evening on Cuba, Jamaica, Costa Rica and the Panama Canal; 125 colored slides will be used to show scenes in these places. The lecture will be free, and a special invitation is extended to pupils of the public schools and to school teachers.

Fire Alarm Box Test.

The board of fire engineers have replaced the old box 74, at the corner of Park and School streets, with a new box of modern construction, and it will be tested about noon of Saturday, when an alarm will be pulled from it.

Miss Elizabeth Heenehan of Central street is visiting relatives in New York.

Tockwotton tribe of Red Men will meet next Tuesday evening in Odd Fellows Hall.

The newly-elected officers of the Knights of Malta will be installed next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Scott French entertained the N. G. C. at her home on Park street Monday afternoon.

The Woman's Relief Corps will hold its regular meeting in Memorial Hall to-morrow evening.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. Lucy Hitchcock of Squier street Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bolt of Springfield were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Jones of Park street.

Mrs. Charles F. Sanderson is in the Wing Memorial Hospital, where she was operated on yesterday morning.

Ronald E. Jones of Walnut street is spending the week with his grandmother, Mrs. A. S. Jones of Springfield.

The trolleyman's basketball team will play the Ware and Brookfield line's team at Ware to-morrow evening.

Michael H. Lyons, who was on Tuesday nominated for the position of postmaster at Indian Orchard, following a long and bitter fight, was formerly a resident of Palmer and is well remembered by numerous of the older citizens.

The meeting of the Palmer Woman's Club will be held in Masonic Hall Saturday afternoon at 3.15 instead of to-morrow afternoon, as scheduled. Albert Morgan of Hartford will give an illustrated talk on the "Lure of Field and Wood."

Rev. Joseph Sullivan, who conducted services in the Baptist church last week, has been holding similar services all this week. The topic for this evening will be "The Vision of Heaven," and for to-morrow, the last service, the subject will be "The Cross of Christ."

The John Marsch Construction Company, contractors for the construction of the Southern New England railroad, put at work last week about 200 Austrians, who came here from St. Louis, the last lot arriving last Thursday. They were sent from Palmer to Southbridge by way of Worcester. They are said to be a better class of men than the Italians.

Announcement to Patrons

The Palmer Pure Food Store has changed hands, but will continue, as in the past, to keep only the best and highest grade of goods.

ASK FOR

S. & H. Green Trading Stamps

Palmer Pure Food Store
Nassawanno Block, Palmer

Our Serial Story.

Readers of the Journal will find on page 2 the opening chapter of "Parrot & Co.," a serial story which will run through about ten weeks. The author is Harold MacGrath, who wrote "The Carpet From Bagdad," "The Place of Honeymoons," and other equally fascinating stories. "Parrot & Co." is a romance of the Orient and the Seven Seas, a romance of a brave patient man and a beautiful young woman who did not know her heart. The story moves swiftly, is full of surprises, adventure and mystery. Lovers of good fiction should not miss the opening chapters.

Mary Pickford Reels Next Week.

Patrons of the opera house will be given a rare treat next Monday evening, when "Hearts Adrift," a Paramount all-star feature with Mary Pickford in the title role, will be shown. There will also be a two-reel Western feature. Tuesday evening Zudora in the "\$20,000,000 Mystery" will be shown, and on Wednesday evening the "Million Dollar Mystery." The usual good shows will be given Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

C. H. Babcock of the Palmer Opera House has gone to Boston on a business trip.

"Midget" Denning of South Main street is spending the week with friends in Amherst.

Rev. J. E. Enman of Thorndike will preach Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. Johnson at Palmer Center.

Mrs. Earl Corder of Brookfield was a guest the first of the week of her sister, Mrs. Charles Walker of Walnut street.

Miss Frances Kavanaugh of Summer street, Springfield, was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Wilder of Pine street.

A slight chimney fire in the home of Alfred Goodreau of North Main street last Thursday evening was put out with but little damage.

F. L. Jones of Park street has the contract to build a bungalow for I. F. Bolt of Springfield on the site of the old Advent campground in that city.

Mrs. Lucy Hitchcock of Squier street has been entertaining this week Mrs. Samuel Brown and daughter, Miss Alice Brown, of Fitchburg, formerly of this town.

C. W. Chamberlain of Palmer and Albert Louisell of Ware are in Boston to-day representing Pataquatic encampment of Palmer at the Grand Encampment of Odd Fellows of Massachusetts.

The Palmer Ministers' Association met yesterday afternoon in the parlors of the Union church in Three Rivers. Plans for the month of March "Come-to-Church" campaign were developed.

The Couhonela Campfire Girls took a hike to Three Rivers Tuesday evening, and attended a supper given by the Ladies' Society of the Union church. They have made and presented to the Wing Memorial Hospital twelve infants' night robes. The girls wish it known that they have Campfire cocoa for sale.

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Palmer Opera House

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Mary Pickford in "HEARTS ADRIFT," 4-reel Paramount All Star Feature, and 2-reel Western Feature.

Tuesday, March 9

ZUDORA—In \$20,000,000 Mystery.

Wednesday, March 10

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Many items of interest from
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THORNDIKE.

Death of Mrs. Edward J. Fuller.

The many friends and acquaintances of Mrs. Edward J. Fuller, whose death took place at the Springfield Hospital Sunday afternoon at 2.30, were greatly surprised at the announcement. Mrs. Fuller, although known to have been ill, was not considered seriously so, and her passing away was a shock to all who knew her. The funeral took place from the Congregational church here Tuesday afternoon, the pastor, Rev. James E. Enman, officiating. Miss Blanche Upham sang. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. Burial was in the Four Corners cemetery. The deceased is survived by a husband, one son, Philip E. of Boston, one brother, Fredrick, of the firm of Rood & Woodbury, Springfield, two sisters, Mrs. E. E. Kendall of Thorndike and Mrs. Henry Fuller of Ludlow.

The public schools will reopen Monday after the regular week's vacation. The Way of the Cross services will be held at St. Mary's church tomorrow evening at 7.30.

Charles Rivers is ill at his home on Main street with pneumonia, and has a trained nurse attending him.

The Palmer and Northampton high school basketball teams will meet at Union Hall Saturday evening.

Some of the departments in the No. 2 mill of the Thorndike Company has been working overtime the past week. Misses Casey and Dowd of the Massachusetts State Hospital, Monson, called on friends here Tuesday evening.

Rev. Fr. Dowd of the Holy Name parish, Holyoke, preached the Lenten sermon at St. Mary's church Tuesday evening.

Rev. Edward B. Daley left Tuesday afternoon for his new field of labor; he is to have charge of the Holy Family parish in Calver, Pa.

Miss Marion Davis is at the Wing Memorial Hospital, Palmer, where she underwent an operation for appendicitis on Tuesday.

Daniel Healey has resigned his position as wine clerk for Gebro & McKelligott, and has taken a position at the Converse House in Palmer.

Preparations are under way for the annual concert and whist party to be held Wednesday evening, March 17, by St. Mary's church parish.

New York parties have under consideration the purchase of the Austin property near Brown Pond, formerly owned by George Brown, now of Springfield. The scheme, should it go through, will be the means of opening up to city people a summer hotel. The place is well adapted for this purpose; a fine roomy house is on the premises, and boating and fishing can be enjoyed on the pond.

Next Sunday morning the Congregational church observes the first of the "Come-to-church" meetings. The children invite and welcome the people. The pastor will have a sermon for children, and as it is communion Sabbath, he will point out "Some of the Higher Meanings of Fellowship with God, the Saviour;" special music. Sunday school at noon; evening service at 7 o'clock, with sermon by the pastor.

The local branch of the Young Men's Library Association, which is in charge of Mrs. K. T. Loftus, seems to be well patronized, judging from the number of books sought each week by the increasing number of readers in the village. The idea of serving the village people from the main library in Palmer is meeting with much favor and is getting to be quite popular. The patrons are on the increase each week, there now being something like 150 regular takers of books.

THREE RIVERS.

Be sure to go to Stone's store, Palmer, Saturday, Gingham Day.

Nathan Cramer spent the week-end with his family at Worcester.

Samuel Cole of Front street spent Sunday with friends in Worcester.

Miss Minnie Sinclair, who has been ill, is much improved and is able to be out.

Miss Mary McCullough, who has been ill with pneumonia, is slowly recovering.

Miss Grace Walsh, teacher in grade 5, is spending the vacation at her home in Westfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davis of Athol street are entertaining Mrs. Davis's sister from Providence.

Miss Katherine Denlinger, teacher in grade 4, is spending her vacation at her home in Weymouth.

Daniel Hartnett of Collinsville, Ct., is visiting his mother, Mrs. Ellen Hartnett on the Belchertown road.

Mrs. Daniel Fogarty of Bourne street entertained Mr. and Mrs. Wiley and children of Holyoke Sunday.

Joseph Bothwell of Montville, Ct., was the Sunday guest his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Front street.

Mathew Horgan of Holyoke was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Horgan of Main street.

Charles Freak of Main street, who has been a patient at the Mercy Hospital in Springfield, has returned and is able to be out.

Miss K. A. Twiss of Main street and Miss Nellie L. Twiss of Springfield street are attending the millinery openings at Boston this week.

Miss Sarah Bothwell has resumed her studies at Westfield Normal School after a week's vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Union church served a St. Patrick's supper Tuesday evening in Pickering Hall. A large number attended and an enjoyable time was spent by all.

Dr. William Tannebrink of Beverly and Chester Tannebrink of Tufts Dental College were the guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tannebrink, at their home on Springfield street the first of the week.

The last of the series of entertainments given by the Men's League in Pickering Hall was a lecture by James Francis O'Donnell, which was very entertaining. He told many funny stories, which kept his audience in roars of laughter.

The program at the Idle Hour for the motion pictures this week is as follows: Thursday, "The Trey o' Hearts" in two reels, and the last two episodes of the "Perils of Pauline." A photograph of Crane Wilbur will be given to all paying admission. Saturday, the third episode of "The Exploits of Elaine" in two reels, one reel of the "Mutual Girl," and one reel of the Strand War Series will be shown.

BONDSDVILLE.

Jeremiah Shea is confined to his home by illness.

Mrs. William Donovan was the guest Sunday of relatives in Springfield.

John J. Conway has been confined to the house this week by an attack of tonsillitis.

W. H. Morse was a recent guest of his cousin, Mrs. Francennah Towne of Ludlow.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shea are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hutton are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Moulton were guests Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Parent in Ludlow.

Frank E. Albro has been drawn on the jury for the March sitting of the court held in Springfield.

The Epworth League will hold its business meeting tomorrow evening, to be followed by a social.

Miss Irene Marsan went Saturday to Springfield for a short visit with her sister, Miss Lydia Marsan.

Mrs. George Moulton Sr. returned Thursday from a two-weeks' visit with her son, George Moulton Jr.

Miss Gladys Morse went Friday to Belchertown, where she will visit her cousin, Merle Gay, and other relatives.

Charles Billings has accepted a position in Ashfield, where he will work at his trade of painting and paper hanging.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thompson and daughter of Enfield were guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banister.

Mrs. Thomas Chapman and sister, Miss Abbie Pember, spent Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. John McGrath in Ludlow.

The public schools are having their mid-winter week's vacation, and will open next Monday for the spring term of eight weeks.

The Ladies' Aid Society was entertained Wednesday by Mrs. F. E. Albro. After the business meeting a bountiful supper was served.

The Ladies' Aid Society meeting will be held in three weeks instead of two, being postponed owing to the fair. The next meeting will be March 24.

Wanted Real Estate Salesman

One of the leading real estate agencies of New England is desirous of securing the services of a reliable resident of Palmer, to act as their local representative; our capital, business methods and reputation will be behind you and your success assured; broken down failures not wanted; unless you have been successful in other ventures, and have the respect and confidence of your townsmen, do not apply. Experience in real estate business not essential, but must own either an automobile or a good team. The business should pay a capable man \$3000 yearly. State all particulars in first letter regarding your age, business experience and if you are a property owner; all communications treated confidentially. Address BOX A.

Miss Julia Manning of Springfield is spending a week's vacation with her aunt, Miss Kate Quirk.

At St. Bartholomew's church tomorrow evening Rev. Fr. Lucy of Ware will preach the Lenten service.

Mrs. Arthur Smith and two daughters, Clara and Harriet of Ware, were guests Sunday of Mrs. Anna Parent.

Miss Nellie Sullivan returned Sunday to the home here after spending a few days in Springfield with relatives.

Miss Bertha Ramsden returned Saturday from spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Charron in Indian Orchard.

Miss Annie Mansfield of Fitchburg Normal School is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mansfield.

Miss Beatrice Bond has returned to her home in Springfield after a short visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Mr. and Mrs. Luke Moore have returned from his former home in Norwich, Ct., where he was called last week by the death of a relative.

Several from this village attended the funeral of Mrs. Edward Fuller in Thorndike Tuesday afternoon. C. D. Holden and L. R. Holden acted as bearers.

Miss Mary Cavanaugh has returned to her studies at Westfield Normal School after a week's vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Cavanaugh.

Miss Gertrude Sullivan, who has been spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Sullivan, returned Monday to her work at Westfield Normal School.

James Dolan, who for several years has been living at the home of Mrs. Dennis Fenton, has been removed, and is now working on the farm of Mr. and Mrs. John Austin.

The Sunday school board will hold its monthly meeting at the home of Miss Myrtle McVickar Thursday evening. There will be a speaker who will tell of ways for enlarging the Sunday school attendance.

Miss Alice Banister was a guest last Thursday evening at a birthday surprise party of her brother, Leslie Banister, in Springfield, given by college mates of Mr. Banister.

Mrs. Charles Walker of Springfield and daughter Alice of Winthrop, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heidel and daughter of Springfield were guests Saturday of Mrs. Anna Parent.

Mrs. Gertrude Steele, who has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adalard Marsan, has gone to Waverly, where she has accepted a position as assistant matron in the institute for weak-minded children.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hanscom entertained the following guests at a whist party last Wednesday evening: Mr. and Mrs. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Gale of Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Green of North Wilbraham. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable evening was passed.

Next Sunday will begin the Go-to-Church Sunday services, which will continue through the month of March in the Methodist church. The sermon this Sunday will be especially for the children. The Sunday school members will meet in the vestry of the church, and march to the main auditorium in a body.

The Reason.

"Alice talks with a decided English accent." "Yes. Her teeth were imported from London."—Boston Transcript.

Obstinate.



"Did the dentist drill your teeth?" "Yes, but he can't make them act right."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Monkey Surgery.

A wounded chimpanzee stops the bleeding of a wound by placing leaves and grass on the injury.

Economy of Language. Passenger (entering car)—Fine morning, conductor. Conductor—Fare.—Brooklyn Eagle.

We Fear She Didn't.



Henpeque—Here's where a woman scolded her husband for three hours and died from shortness of breath.

Mrs. Henpeque—I hope the poor dear had said what she wanted to say.—Washington Star.

After Half A Century

By JOHN TURNLEE

One morning when John Merton of Chicago awoke and looked out through his front window he noticed some men digging in a vacant lot opposite. He was seized with trepidation lest some objectionable building was to be erected on the lot and, dressing himself, went out to make inquiries. He learned that the lot had been sold and the owner was about to erect on it a soap factory.

Mr. Merton at once sought the man and secured an option on the lot at a substantial profit to the latter. Then he visited several of his neighbors, proposing that they should club together and protect the locality by buying the lot. Only one person, a man named Gawtry, was willing or perhaps able to make such an investment, and he and Merton became the owners. By agreement they put the property in the hands of a trust company, to be divided among the heirs of the third generation, or the grandchildren of the two owners. The Mertons were to have the north half and the Gawtrys the south half.

Twenty years later, both Merton and Gawtry being dead and the part of the city in which the lot lay having become used for business, the trustees leased the lot for thirty years, and a store building was erected upon it. By the terms of the lease at its expiration the building was to belong to the owner of the lot.

Meanwhile the descendants of the joint owners had become scattered, the trust company's directors and officers had been changed, and there was no descendant of either Merton or Gawtry who knew about the lot, for which but \$800 had been paid by the two purchasers.

One day an advertisement appeared for grandchildren of the late John Merton and Samuel Gawtry. It elicited no response and was repeated from time to time for a year, when it met the eyes of a young bank clerk named Spencer in a western city. His father and mother were dead, but he knew that his mother's maiden name was Merton. He wrote to the advertiser and received a printed statement setting forth the facts in the case of the Merton-Gawtry lot. Spencer, convinced that the John Merton named was his grandfather, investigated the case and, after a long hunt, found that he was the only living grandchild of the said Merton and consequently heir to the north half of the property.

No response to the advertisement whatever came from the Gawtry side, and no division could be made of the lot and building until the heirs in this family were found. John Spencer, desirous of coming into what was a fortune, at once made it his business to hunt up these heirs. He began at the fountainhead, making inquiries as to the first and second generations of Gawtrys, and learned that a son of Samuel Gawtry had settled in Detroit. Spencer went to Detroit, where he learned that the widow of Samuel Gawtry of the second generation was living in straitened circumstances. Not wishing to excite false hopes in this person, he made inquiries in a roundabout way and learned that the original Gawtry had had several children, but the only living grandchild was Marian Gawtry, daughter of the widow he had found. Having proceeded thus far, Spencer returned to Chicago and reported his find to the trust company and left its officers to satisfy themselves that he (Spencer) and Marian Gawtry were the heirs to the property in question and, this done, to give each heir a half.

One morning Miss Marian Gawtry, when about to go to her school duties, took a letter from the postman informing her that the Trust company of Chicago was ready to convey to her one-half of a certain lot and building in that city bequeathed to her by her grandfather, Samuel Gawtry. She referred the matter to her mother, who said she had never heard of her father owning such property. He had left Chicago forty years before, a poor man. Miss Gawtry put the matter down as a mistake and, proceeding to school, thought no more about it.

One evening she received a call from a young man named Spencer. He was about to mention the fact that she was an heiress when it occurred to him that since there was a building on the property there might be difficulty in dividing it and it would be better that they should own it together. But he was an honorable fellow and scorned to win her knowing that she was an heiress.

"Miss Gawtry," he said, "I have come to Detroit to inform you that you are joint owner with me of a lot and building in Chicago worth in all half a million dollars."

The young lady, remembering the former information she had received on this subject, coolly remarked:

"That's a mistake. My mother says her father owned no such property in Chicago."

"Will you marry me if what I tell you is true?"

"If you can convince me that I am worth the sum you name I'll marry you!"

Spencer eventually proved his case and held her to her promise. Since they had been mutually pleased with each other and a division of the property was hard to effect Miss Gawtry was by no means loath to keep it.

All of which goes to show that our fates are often determined by small matters.

The miller sees not all the water that goes by his mill.

Picked Up at Sea

By DONALD CHAMBERLIN

We were sailing on the Australian coast when a boat was espyed by the lookout. She was an ordinary ship's lifeboat, open, and was dancing merrily on the waves in the bright sunlight. When she came nearer we counted nine men in her. She was heading for us, and the captain gave an order to slow down. As soon as she came alongside a man in the bow hailed us and asked us to take them aboard.

The captain questioned them, and they told him that they were members of the crew of a ship that had collided with another in a fog and had gone to the bottom. He asked how long ago that was and they said a week. Then he asked what had become of the officers and the rest of the crew and was told that they had gone down with the ship. There was only time to get out the one boat before she sank.

The story didn't appeal to the captain as being likely, but he could not refuse to take the men aboard and did so. As soon as they came aboard we saw that their faces were by no means attractive. They asked our captain for what port he was bound and when he said Melbourne I noticed that on the faces of some of them was a scared look, while others seemed to be saying to themselves, "Not if we can prevent it."

I made up my mind that the men were mutineers and had either been put off a ship or sunk a ship or something of the kind, but when they were put to work they showed such ignorance of everything nautical that I changed my opinion. That they were not what they purported to be was evident, but what they were we had no means of knowing.

Our ship was a small steamer, not needing a numerous crew. We usually carried eighteen men, including captain and mate, I being mate, but now we were reduced to twelve.

One evening one of our regular crew came to me and told me that the strangers had taken weapons from the ship's armory and hidden them in the hold. The captain was asleep in his cabin at the time, and I preferred to act on the information rather than wake him up. He was a headstrong man and was liable to give our enemies the advantage by some rash act.

I sent for the man who had been spokesman when we met them and asked him whether he and his men preferred to make some other port than Melbourne. He admitted that they would, but when I asked him where they would like to put in he said that they preferred not to stop at an Australian port at all. I told him to consult with his mates as to what they wanted and let me know.

I did this to put the strangers off their guard and gain time. It was evident, from their not wishing to go ashore in Australian territory, that they were criminals. After consulting with the others the leader came back and told me that they would like to be put out in a large boat we carried which was rigged with a sail and in part decked over. Of course they would need to be provisioned.

This was a dead giveaway on their part and showed that they were desperate, for they had no knowledge of navigation and would be at the mercy of the winds and waters. I pretended to accede to their request and directed that they come on deck and get the boat ready to be lowered. As soon as they went to work I sent men to collect the weapons they had stolen. When this was done I stationed men in different parts of the vessel, all armed. Then I began to send the strangers in different directions for different articles they would need on their voyage. Some were sent for provisions, some for water, some for blankets, some for fuel.

I first ordered their spokesman, who was leader as well, to take two men with him and go down to the hold for some salt pork. He obeyed and three out of the nine men went below not to reappear again, for as soon as they got into the dark hold hands were clapped on their mouths and they were removed to the brig. As soon as it was reported to me that they had been captured I sent two more men to the sail room for canvas. They, too, were secured, and within twenty minutes from the time they had started to get the boat ready I had them all under lock and key.

When the captain appeared on deck the next morning and I told him that the strangers had stolen arms he looked serious. Then when I told him that I had the men secured he was astonished, not being able to understand how he could have slept through a mutiny. Finally when I gave him my plan and the manner of its accomplishment he reprimanded me for acting without his orders.

A few days later we reached port. I went to the municipal office and stated the case, to be told that nine persons serving terms at a prison near the coast had escaped. A boat was missing, and it was supposed they had taken it and put to sea. Government officers were looking for them, but thus far had seen nothing of them.

The men were taken in charge by the police and returned to the prison. Their leader told me before leaving that they had planned to take the ship the very night I executed the plan that resulted in their capture.

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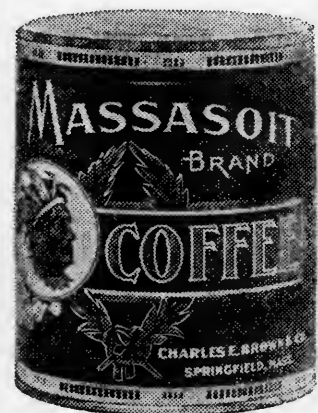
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Ate a Hearty Dinner, Then Died With Acute Indigestion

According to Dr. J. O. Limerell, of New York, an eminent authority and writer on several branches of medicine and surgery, the percentage of deaths in this country from acute indigestion has shown a startling gain in the past five years.

In an interview, he recently made the statement that acute indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble, was carrying off more prominent men than any other one disease. It was only recently that a well-known man sat down to a hearty dinner and had scarcely finished when he threw up his hands and fell back, dead. No one should flirt with disaster when he knows he is taking chances on nearly everything he eats, because it is so easy to be on the safe side GASTROAIDS is a wonderful new preparation made by a famous New York physician and chemist for stomach troubles. It drives out the gases, sweetens the stomach, neutralizes the acids, prevents fermentation and assists the stomach to digest the food. You can eat anything, then chew off one of these magical little brown tablets and your body will derive the full benefit of your food, without any pain, nausea or belching. No other digestive medicine ever prescribed acts as this does. Safeguard yourself now and eat anything. All druggists or from Curtis Chemical Company, 117 East 24th Street, New York City, for 10c, 25c or 50c. Don't forget, ask for GASTROAIDS.

Monson News.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Gligham Day Saturday at Stone's store Palmer. See adv. for prices.

Library Association Report.

The Circulation Increasing Especially in Rural Districts. Officers Elected.

The annual meeting of the incorporators of the Monson Free Library and Reading Room Association was held Monday evening. All reports showed the institution to be in excellent condition, with increasing facilities and a broadening sphere to its work. These officers were re-elected: President, William J. Ricketts; vice president, L. C. Flynn; secretary, F. A. Wheeler; treasurer, T. L. Cushman; auditor, C. A. Bradley; director for five years, A. D. Norcross; librarian, Miss Nellie Squier. The librarian's report is especially interesting. It showed the total number of books in the library to be 13,539; accessions during the year 499, of this number 440 were purchased and 59 received by gift; total circulation for 1914, not including rural extension service, 15,544, an increase of 586 over 1913; daily average circulations, 51. These figures do not include a great number of books used constantly for reference work. Statistics for the rural extension service are available only from September to March, but show that there were 107 card holders using 836 books in the five months. A new lot of books was sent to each district September 1st, where they were kept two months, then sent to the next district. The 836 books circulated in this rural work, added to the circulation in the village, brings the total for the year up to 16,378 volumes. The district statistics are as follows:

Card Holders.	Circulation
Moulton Hill	7
Munn	11
St. Line	12
S. Monson	15
Pease	15
Colton Hollow	17
Childs	16
Silver Street	14
Total	107

These figures for the five months show that the people in the out districts are taking up with the extension plan of the library enthusiastically. In addition there were 69 newspapers and magazines at hand on the library tables, of which 54 are subscribed for by the association. Readers for the year numbered 8362, an increase of 698, with a daily average of 27.

The statistics of circulation of books of different classes for the month of February, 1915, compiled by the librarian, is interesting.

Classification.	Circulation.
Philosophy.	3
Religion.	4
Sociology.	16
Science.	18
Unsettled Arts.	30
Fine Arts.	12
Literature.	77
Travel.	21
History.	16
Biography.	25
Collective Biography.	12
Fiction.	1435
Mythology.	17
Miscellaneous.	13
Magazines.	199
Total.	1888

Dennis Purcell Jr.

Dennis Purcell Jr., 22, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Purcell of High street, died at the home of his parents Tuesday morning of heart trouble after a long illness. He was born in Monson and educated in the public schools here, and was employed at the W. N. Flynt quarry for several years. He leaves, besides his parents, three brothers, Thomas of Chicago, John and Daniel of Monson, and one sister, Mrs. Paige Bristol of Ludlow. The funeral was held at the home this morning, with requiem mass at St. Patrick's church, followed by burial in the Pearl street cemetery.

Miss Maude Rees has been spending a week with relatives in Stafford.

The Fortnightly Club will meet with Mrs. D. B. Needham next Monday afternoon.

Quabong lodge of Rebecas will observe their anniversary this evening at their rooms in the bank block.

"Tess of the Storm Country," an unusual photo play, will be shown at the Roderick next Monday evening.

William Cowie, Monson Academy 1909, was ordained deacon of the Scotch Presbyterian church of Boston Sunday.

The Ladies' Circle of the Universalist church will meet in the church parlors next Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Coakley died at her home on Chestnut street Sunday evening. The funeral was held Monday afternoon; burial was in the Pearl street cemetery. Marion Hertha Clarke of New York city will give a play recital of "Peg o' My Heart," under the management of the Philomathean society, in the Academy chapel next Wednesday evening.

Monson promoters are trying to arrange a basketball game between the strong Ware and Bondsville teams. Such an attraction would be strongly supported locally, as the two quintets are playing fast basketball, and each has won one game against the other.

Unique Entertainment.

The ways and means committee of the Dorcas Society conducted a unique and pleasing entertainment for the society's members in the Congregational church parlors yesterday afternoon. The guests were taken on an imaginary trip to California by aid of a radio-phonograph, pictures from Monson to California being shown and guides pointing out the various points of interest shown by the pictures. Conductors or guides for the trip were Mrs. F. P. Holdridge, Miss Hattie F. Cushman, Miss E. R. Holmes, Miss Adelaide Wingate, Mrs. Alice F. Merchant. A tea room afforded rest and refreshment, and was in charge of Mrs. R. H. Cushman, Mrs. E. R. Cooke, Mrs. R. P. Anderson. The committee in charge of the whole affair were Mrs. R. P. Cushman, Mrs. E. E. Thompson, Mrs. Louise Thompson, Mrs. F. P. Holdridge. There was a large attendance of the Dorcas members.

Preparing For a Fruit Crop.

Interest regarding proper care of fruit trees is still increasing among Monson farmers, and many are planning a spring campaign of pruning and spraying. Even with the abundant crop harvested last fall, those who cared for their trees realized a good profit and others are following their example. Plans are being formulated to purchase lime, sulphur and arsenate of lead co-operatively and realize a considerable saving thereby. It really looks now as if there would be a peach crop in town next August. A good percentage of buds have escaped "winter killing" so far, and unless a frost comes at the blooming time peach growers should reap a harvest for the first time in three years.

Mrs. F. J. Entwistle has recovered from a week's illness.

The public schools are enjoying a week's vacation, and will resume sessions next Monday.

The Dorcas Society will meet with Mrs. A. P. Rindge of North Main street next Wednesday afternoon at 2.30.

Several Monson couples are attending a dancing class in Palmer Wednesday evenings.

Rev. Patrick Shea of Benson, Mich., has been spending a week in town with relatives.

Cornelius Bennett has moved his family from Springfield to the "Dr. Smith" house on Fountain street.

Miss Charlotte Nash of Quincy has been spending a few days with Mrs. R. F. Bradley.

Rufus P. Cushman has returned from a visit with relatives in Providence, R. I., and in West Roxbury.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron E. Wright of Springfield, who have been visiting friends in town, have returned to their home.

A still alarm called firemen to Mark Noble's block on Main street Tuesday morning. The blaze was extinguished with chemicals and the loss was slight.

Rev. H. M. Bowden of the International College of Springfield will give an illustrated lecture on Poland before the Social and Literary Club of the Universalist church next Tuesday.

The second of the Lenten services, held in the Congregational church last Thursday evening, was attended by 125. Dr. G. A. Andrews will be the speaker this evening at the Universalist church, speaking on "Hindrances from Without." Miss Annie Krause will sing.

Case of Necessity.



Would Be Suicide—Don't pull me out. I want to die. Rescuer—And I want a medal. You'll have to let your dying go until tomorrow.—Washington Star.

Hard to Do.



Tall Boarder—Last night I saw your new boarder, the magician, perform. He produced rabbits, pigeons and everything. Landlady—This is the last day he'll get to produce his board.—Boston Globe.

Its Accompaniment.

"I have an eye for the stage." "Then look out you don't get the book too."—Baltimore American.

Why the Blues?

Every one loves the blue sky with its brightness, warmth and softness. Hundreds have written of it in glowing terms of praise, while the inarticulate millions have felt what they expressed. Who does not love a pair of blue eyes—laughing blue eyes, true blue eyes, tender blue eyes, Irish blue eyes? The men who follow the sea love her every mood and hue, and yet 'tis her sparkling sapphire cloak they would have her don on the happiest occasions. "It is impossible in our condition of society not to be sometimes a snob," wrote Thackeray—not to have a heart that would relish pumping a little blue blood along with the red. But when our thoughts are dull, depressed and drear, like an unkind wintry gray sky, we are in the blues. Why this paradoxical deflation of the color which is associated with so many of the fair and pleasing things of life? If we must vilify a color there are yellow, canaries and jaundice. There are red devils and danger. Why the blues?—Boston Globe.

Smokeless Powder.

Ordinary powder produces smoke when fired because of the quantity of fine particles formed from the breaking up of the saltpeter and from some of the charcoal which is not completely burned. To get rid of smoke, so long a handicap in the use of guns, it was necessary to produce a substance that would explode without leaving any solid residue. This was accomplished by the use of gun-cotton or nitrocellulose, from which the most satisfactory smokeless powder is made. The substance is a chemical compound, not a mixture like gunpowder, and is made by treating cotton with a mixture of nitric and sulphuric acids. When exploded it is all converted into gases. Burning is not necessary to cause an explosion, a mere shock or jar being sufficient. It is too violent an explosive to use in small arms or in cannon, but gun-cotton can be made into less forceful forms, suitable for use in guns, and most brands of smokeless powder are made in this way.—Boston Herald.

Japanese Hotel Bedrooms.

In "Queer Things About Japan" Douglas Sladen gives a picture of the Japanese hotel bedroom, which still leaves much to be desired in comfort and privacy: "Before dinner is over you begin to long for your bed. You ask to be taken to your bedroom, but your bedroom is taken to you. Its walls and the bed are brought in. The walls are paper shutters which make a slice of the sitting room your own; the bed is a quilt. 'Take up your bed and walk' is an everyday occurrence in the east, where a bed is a spread. The only way a European can get any comfort out of a Japanese bed is to sleep on about half a dozen at once, one on top of the other. If you want to wash you must do it outside. The Japanese will not allow a basin of water on their precious mats."

How He Got It.

"Say, pop, may I have another piece of cake?" "Yes, Bobby. If you won't tell your mother." (An interval of mastication.) "Pop, may I have another piece of cake?" "No." "Then I'll tell mamma."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

March Countryside Magazine.

Redolent of spring and its attendant gardening operations, the March issue of *The Countryside Magazine and Suburban Life* comes to remind us that old winter will soon be closing shop and retiring from business for a while. From the cover to the appendix, which gives the helpful Gardening Handy Tables for which this publication is noted, the suburban resident will find much of interest.

"My Promised Land as Seen in a Vision from Mt. Pisgah," by Walter A. Dyer, is a delightfully written story of the experiences of an amateur farmer. The third installment of J. Horace McFarland's charming "My Growing Garden" makes one eager for more. Dr. L. H. Bailey, the contributing editor, writes on "The Partitioning of the Land." "Yama-no-Uchi—The Unique Business Farm," by Frank A. Arnold, describes an out of the ordinary country place. "The New Playground Ought to be Planned Now," by William Merriam Rouse, compares playgrounds, large and small, and advises how to go about the inauguration of supervised recreation.

The unusual work of Prof. O. S. Morgan, head of the Department of Agriculture of Columbia University, is treated in an article by Thomas Howland Potter, which is called "A City University's Work for Folk who are Farm-inclined." Other interesting features are "A Beaver Colony at Work; Its Misfortunes and Perils," by Enos A. Mills, and "A Trio of Successful Bee Men, and How They Made a Start," by Frank C. Pellett.

WALES.

The school committee has organized as follows: Chairman, W. E. Needham; secretary, Henry S. Walker; school physician for the year, Dr. R. V. Sawin of Brimfield.

The quarterly conference of the Methodist church was held last week and a committee was appointed to confer with a similar committee from the Baptist church relative to plans for forming a federated church. On the Methodist committee were appointed: Rev. W. A. Kilmer, LaRoy Squier and Henry S. Walker.

WARREN.

Death of William H. Shepard.

The body of William H. Shepard, a former resident of Warren, who died in Cleveland, Ohio, on Thursday of last week, was brought to Warren Sunday for burial in the Pine Grove cemetery. There were appropriate exercises by Quabog lodge of Masons. Mr. Shepard was born in Warren June 1, 1838, and lived here for many years. He early studied to be a lawyer, but gave that up and entered into business in Warren with his brother, D. Warren Shepard, which partnership continued for many years. Mr. Shepard was next to the oldest living member of Quabog lodge of Masons, which he joined in 1862, and was its oldest living past master, in which position he served for three terms. He is survived by his widow and one daughter, Miss Bessie Shepard.

Six candidates were initiated into Court Warren, F. of A., at its meeting Monday night.

The officers of Marks Mountain lodge, A. O. U. W., were installed Monday night by D. G. M. W. Lucius S. Woodes and suite.

Mrs. Charlotte E. Demond will entertain the Onward and Upward Circle of King's Daughters at her home tomorrow afternoon.

Rev. M. D. Kneeland of Boston gave an illustrated address on the work of the Lord's Day League of New England at a union service in the Congregational church Sunday evening.

Mrs. Angeline Osgood was thrown from a team near her home Monday, when the horse she was driving became frightened and ran. She was severely bruised and shaken, and was attended by Dr. Crowles of West Brookfield.

The storekeepers have voted to adopt the following schedule for the closing of the stores, which will be in effect after the 10th of the month: Closed Wednesday and open Friday evening; during June, July, August and September the stores will close Wednesday noon for the remainder of the day.

At a meeting held Monday afternoon the selectmen appointed James T. Marshall as superintendent of streets, to succeed Fred H. Sylvester, who has held the position for the past 10 years. Chief of Police Joseph St. George was appointed night officer for Warren and Clarence L. Thompson for West Warren.

The honors of the senior class of the Warren high school have been awarded on the 3 1/2 years' work as follows: Valedictorian, Miss Mabel Underwood; salutatorian, Miss Myrtle Bowen; and the following have honorable mention in the order named: Miss Althine Southwick, Miss Irma Leach, Miss Charlotte Elder, Miss Marian Allen, Miss Minnie St. George, Miss Martha Canterbury, Miss Dora Allen and Charles E. Barnes.

The members of the high school who for the past 10 weeks have exceeded 90 per cent in their averages are the Misses Myrtle Bowen, Mabel Underwood, Ethel Dillon, Irma Leach and Althine Southwick of the senior class; Misses Marjorie Perkins and Ethel St. George of the junior class; Miss Bertha Henshaw of the sophomore class, and Miss Grace Allen, Miss Doris Cutler, Miss Mildred Cutler, Ernest Bell, Miss Mary Dailey, John Dailey, James Gibson, Vincent Gilligan, Bertram Perkins and Charles Shepard of the freshman class. There are boys in the classes above the freshman, but they are noticeable by their absence from the honor rolls.

Downward Revision.

After shaking hands at the ferry dock the other day one colored man inquired of another, "Didn't you marry de Widow Jones a few months ago?" "Dat's me—I did," was the answer, "but I've dun left her." "Why, how's that?" "Well, de fust week she called me honey, de next week she sulked around and called me old Richards, de third week she cum for me wid a flatiron, an' I see kinder got a hunch she don't like me."—Argonaut.

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"Yes," returning the check to the wallet.

"Now, sit down and spin the yarn. It must be jolly interesting."

"I'll admit that it has been a tough struggle; but I knew that I had the oil. Been flat broke for months. Had to borrow my boy's savings for food and shelter. Well, this is the way it runs." Warrington told it simply, as if it were a great joke.

"Rippling! By Jove, you Americans are hard customers to put over. I suppose you'll be setting out for the States at once?" with a curious glance.

"I haven't made any plans yet," eyeing the cheroot thoughtfully.

"I see." The purser nodded. It was not difficult to understand "Well, good luck to you wherever you go."

Alone in his stateroom Warrington took out Rajah and tossed him on the counterpane of the bed.

"Now, then, old sport!" tapping the parrot on the back with the perch which he used as a baton. Blinking



Blinking and Muttering, the Bird Performed His Tricks.

and muttering, the bird performed his tricks, and was duly rewarded and returned to his home of iron. "She'll be wanting to take you home with her, but you're not for sale."

He then opened his window and leaned against the sill, looking up at the stars. But, unlike the girl, he did not ask any questions.

"Free!" he said softly.

CHAPTER III.

The Weak Link.

The day began white and chill, for February nights and mornings are not particularly comfortable on the Irrawaddy. The boat sped down the river, smoothly and noiselessly. For all that the sun shone, the shore-lines were still black. There were a hundred or more natives squatting in groups on the deck. They were wrapped in ragged shawls, cotton rugs of many colors, and woolen blankets, and their turbans were as bright and colorful as a Holland tulip-bed. Some of them were smoking long pipes and using their flaps as mouthpieces; others were scrubbing their teeth with short sticks of fibrous wood; and still others were eating rice and curry out of little brown copper pots. There were very few Burmese among them,

but they bought his oil lands. He came aboard last night with a check for twenty thousand pounds, and two rupees in his pocket. The two rupees were all he had in this world at the time they wrote him the check. Arabian night; what?"

"I am glad. I like pluck; I like endurance; I like to see the lone man win against odds. Tell me, is he going back to America?"

"Ah, there's the weak part in the chain." The purser looked diffidently at the deck floor. It would have been easy enough to discuss the Warrington of yesterday, but the Warrington of this morning was backed by twenty thousand good English sovereigns; he was a different individual. "He says he doesn't know what his plans will be. Who knows? Perhaps some one ran away with his best girl. I've known lots of them to wind up out here on that account."

"When do we reach Prome?"

"About six," understanding that the Warrington incident was closed. "It isn't worth while going ashore, though. Nothing to see at night."

"I have no inclination to leave the boat until we reach Rangoon."

She met Warrington at luncheon, and she greeted him amiably. To her mind there was something pitiful in the way he had tried to improve his condition. So long as she lived, no matter whom she might marry, she was convinced that never would the thought of this man fade completely from her memory. Neither the amazing likeness nor the romantic background had anything to do with this conviction. It was the man's utter loneliness.

"I have been waiting for Parrot & Co. all the morning," she said.

"I'll show him to you right after luncheon. It wasn't that I had forgotten."

Rajah took the center of the stage; and even the colonel forgot his liver long enough to chuckle when the bird turned somersaults through the steel hoop.

Elsa was delighted. She knelt and offered him her slim white finger. Rajah eyed it with his head cocked at one side. He turned insolently and entered his cage. Since he never saw a finger without dying at it in a rage, it was the politest thing he had ever done.

"Isn't he a sassy little beggar?" laughed the owner. "That's the way; his hand, or claw, rather, against all the world. I've had him half a dozen years, and he hates me just as thoroughly now as he did when I picked him up while I was at Jalpur."

"Have you carried him about all this time?" demanded the colonel.

"He was one of the two friends I had, one of the two I trusted," quietly, with a look which rather disconcerted the Anglo-Indian.

"By the actions of him I should say that he was your bitterest enemy."

"He is; yet I call him friend. There's a peculiar thing about friendship," said the kneeling man. "We make a man our friend; we take him on trust, frankly and loyally; we give him the best we have in us; but we never really know. Rajah is frankly my enemy, and that's why I love him and trust him. I should have preferred a dog; but one takes what one can. Besides . . ." Warrington paused, thrust the perch between the bars, and got up.

"Jah, jah, jah! Jah-jah-jah-aah!" the bird shrieked.

"Oh, what a funny little bird!" cried Elsa, laughing. "What does he say?"

"I've often wondered. It sounds like the bell-gong you hear in the Shwe Dagon pagoda in Rangoon. He picked it up himself."

The colonel returned to his elderly charges and became absorbed in his aged times. If the girl wanted to pick up the riff-raff to talk to, that was her affair. Americans were impossible, anyhow.

"How long have you been in the Orient?" Elsa asked.

"Ten years," he answered gravely. "That is a long time."

"Sometimes it was like eternity."

"I have heard from the purser of your good luck."

"Oh! He stooped again and looked the door of Rajah's cage. "I dare say a good many people will hear of it."

"It was splendid. I love to read stories like that, but I'd rather hear them told first-hand."

Elsa was not romantic in the sense that she saw heroes where there were only ordinary men; it was the obscure and unknown hero who appealed to her: such a one as this man might be.

"Oh, there was nothing splendid about the thing. I simply hung on." Then a thought struck him. "You are traveling alone?"

"With a companion." A peculiar question, she thought.

"It is not wise," he commented. "My father was a soldier," she replied.

"It isn't a question of bravery," he explained, a bit of color charging under his skin. "This world is not like your world. Women over here . . . Oh, I've lost the art of saying things clearly." He pulled at his beard embarrassedly.

"Are you warning me against yourself?"

"Why not? Twenty thousand pounds do not change a man; they merely change the public's opinion of him. For all you know, I may be the greatest rascal unchanged."

"But you are not."

He recognized that it was not a query; and a pleasurable thrill ran over him. Had there been the least touch of condescension in her manner he would have gone deep into his shell.

"No; there are worse men in this world than I. But we are getting away from the point, of women traveling alone in the East. Oh, I know you

can protect yourself to a certain extent. But everywhere, on boats, in the hotels, on the streets, are men who have discarded all the laws of convention, of the social contract. And they have the keen eye of the kite and the vulture."

To Elsa this interest in her welfare was very diverting. "In other words, they can quickly discover the young woman who goes about unprotected? Don't you think that the trend of the conversation has taken rather a remarkable turn, not as impersonal as it should be?"

"I beg your pardon! Shall I go?"

"No. I want you to tell me some stories." She laughed. "Don't worry



"I Want You to Tell Me Some Stories."

about me, Mr. Warrington. I have gone my way alone since I was sixteen. I have traveled all over this wicked world with nobody but the woman who was once my nurse. Now, tell me something of your adventures. Ten years in this land must mean something. I am always hunting for Harun-al-Raschid, or Sindbad, or some one who has done something out of the ordinary."

He inclined against the rail and stared down at the muddy water. "Adventure?" He frowned a little. "I'm afraid mine wouldn't read like adventures. There's no glory in being a stevedore on the docks at Hongkong, a stoker on a tramp steamer between Singapore and the Andaman Islands. What haven't I been in these ten years?" with a shrug. "Can you fancy me a deck-steward on a P. & O. boat tucking old ladies in their chairs, staggering about with a tray of broil-bowls, helping the unsteady to their staterooms, and touching my cap at the end of the voyage for a few shillings in tips?"

"Tell me more."

He looked into her beautiful face, animated by genuine interest, and wondered if all men were willing to obey her.

"It always interests me to hear from the man's own lips how he overcame obstacles."

"Sometimes I didn't overcome them. I ran away. After all, the strike in oil was a fluke."

"I don't think so. But go on," she prompted.

"Well, I have been manager of a coconut plantation in Penang; I've helped lay tracks in Upper India; had a hand in some bridges; sold patent medicines; worked in a ruby mine; been a haberdasher in the Whiteaway, Laidlaw shop in Bombay; cut wood in the teak forests; helped exterminate the plague at Chitor and Udaipur; and never saved a penny. I never had an adventure in all my life."

"Why, your wanderings were adventures," she insisted. "Think of the things you could tell!"

"And never will," a smile breaking over his face.

How like Arthur's that smile was! thought the girl. "Romantic persons never have any adventures. It is to the prosaic these things fall. Because of their nearness you lose their values."

"There is some difference between romance and adventure. Romance is what you look forward to; adventure is something you look back upon. But I always supposed adventure was the finding of treasures, on land and on sea; of filibustering; of fighting with sabers and pistols, and all that rigmarole. I can't quite lift my imagination up to the height of calling my 'six months' shovel-engineering on the Galle an adventure. It was brutal hard work; and many times I wanted to jump over. The Lascars often got out of trouble that way."

"It all depends upon how we look at things." She touched the parrot cage with her foot, and Rajah hissed. "What would you say if I told you that I was unconventional enough to ask the purser to introduce you?"

The amazement in his face was answer enough.

"Don't you suppose," she went on, "the picture you presented, standing on that ledge, the red light of the torch on your face, the bird cage in your hand—don't you suppose you roused my sense of the romantic to the highest pitch? Parrot & Co.!"

She was laughing at him. It could not be otherwise. It made him at once sad and angry. "Romance! I hate the word. I again affirm that young women should not travel alone. They think every bit of tinsel is gold, every bit of colored glass, ruby. Romance, adventure! Bah! So much twaddle has been written about the East that cads and scoundrels are mis-

taken for Galswaths and D'Artagnans. Few men remain in this country who can with honor leave it. Who knows what manner of man I am?"

He picked up the parrot cage and strode away.

"Jah, jah!" began the bird.

Not all the diplomacy which worldly-wise men have at their disposal could have drawn this girl's interest more surely than the abrupt, rude manner of his departure.

(Continued Next Week.)

The White Flag.

It is a great temptation to commanders in wartime to use the white flag as a trick to obtain breathing space when hard pressed by the enemy, and this is often done, although it is against the laws of war.

The old purpose of the white flag is to notify the enemy that their opponents wish to parley, and a commander has a perfect right to refuse such a request if he deems it necessary. Even if he consents he can request that the bearer of the flag of truce be blindfolded so that he may not secure information concerning the camp which he enters. In no circumstances must the white flag be shown to trick an opposing side into relaxing their attack, so that a retreat may be prepared or re-enforcements brought up for a fresh attack. In this connection a common ruse is for a harassed commander to request his enemy for an armistice apparently for the purpose of burying his dead. He then takes advantage of the truce by retreating with his troops under the cover of darkness.—London Tit-Bits.

Floating Docks.

A floating dock may be likened to a box with neither ends nor lid. It is built of steel throughout, the largest type having a length of 630 feet and a width of 144 feet, while the walls are 66 feet in height. The dock is first submerged by admitting water into the ballast tanks or pontoons forming the base of the structure. When it has been sunk to a sufficient depth to receive the vessel the latter is warped into its correct position on the keel blocks of the dock and is then made fast. Powerful pumps are set to work to eject water from the pontoons, causing the structure to rise gradually with its burden. To lift a battleship of the largest size 46,000 tons of water has to be pumped out of the pontoons. So perfectly, however, are these floating docks constructed that one man can control every movement from what is known as the valve house.—London Tit-Bits.

Spiral Nebulae.

It is now an established fact that the majority of the nebulae known to astronomers are spiral nebulae. Their study is very important, and in particular a knowledge of their spectra is capable of furnishing valuable information. The study of the spectra of nebulae is rendered very difficult by the small intrinsic brightness they possess. Nevertheless, some careful experiments made by Slipher on the nebula in Andromeda render it probable that the nebula has a radial velocity of about 186 miles a second, a result which is distinctly greater than the figures formerly obtained for other nebulae. If this nebula in Andromeda approaches the solar system with this velocity—11,160 miles a minute—it suggests that the new star which appeared near its nucleus in 1885 had been a dark star which was encountered.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Polish Peasant Girls.

Polish women have been known to fight on the battlefield and die in the cause of their country. And what seemed harder to some they have given up all their worldly goods in the same cause. Many have been exiled, but never has there been a murmur heard from these brave women, who are capable of any sacrifice. The Polish women have ever been noted for their physical charms, their hands and feet being, from an artistic point of view, absolutely perfect. In the field at harvest time far more women are to be seen than men, and the effect of their different colored dress makes an attractive picture. The skirts of their dresses are generally pinned up, leaving bright petticoats exposed to view.—London Express.

Train Times.

A passenger recently entered a railroad depot to take the 2:15 p. m. train. The clock in the waiting room was several minutes faster than the one in the office, and the passenger asked the porter which clock was correct. After scanning the clocks carefully the porter, with much satisfaction to himself, replied:

"It don't make any difference which is right. The train goes at 2:15 anyhow."—Everybody's.

One Consolation.

"Beauty has vanished from earth," mourned Cholly Litebrane. "The girl I love has refused my hand and made me miserable."

"Well, you ought to think of somebody other than yourself," replied his unsympathetic friend. "The girl probably has made herself happy."—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

Rubbing It In.

He—I don't think much of the way you practice economy. She—Well, you have nothing on me. I don't think much of the way you don't make any money and force me to attempt something when I have no chance of success.—Richmond Times-Dispatch.

With the Cynic.

It is a sin to believe evil of others, but it is seldom a mistake.—Smart Set.

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WOMAN'S SUDDEN DEATH.

Mrs. Eliza Parker Stricken on Thursday at Home.

LIVED IN PALMER ABOUT 7 YEARS.

Heart Disease. Following Excitement of Small Fire in Her Room, The Cause.

Mrs. Eliza G. Parker, 67, died suddenly at her home on Central street about 9.45 last Thursday evening of heart disease, following a shock occasioned by a small fire in her home and the excitement attendant on extinguishing it.

Mrs. Parker had been a resident of Palmer about seven years, living with her son-in-law, John K. Moulton, manager for the Palmer Drug Company; Mr. Moulton's daughter was the only other member of the household. Thursday evening Mrs. Parker was alone in the house, Miss Moulton being at a lecture in St. Paul's church across the street. Neighbors heard Mrs. Parker calling and on investigating found her sitting in the back door, leaning against the doorway in a helpless condition. They assisted her into the house, but she died immediately.

The condition of the house showed that in lighting a match in her room Mrs. Parker had set fire to all the matches in the container, and that the fire had spread to other articles on the bureau, which were scorched and partially burned, and the glass of the mirror cracked by the flames. Mrs. Parker had extinguished the fire and had cleared away a part of the wreckage; it is supposed that while about the task she was seized with illness, but was able to go to the door and call for help. Medical Examiner J. P. Schneider viewed the body.

Mrs. Parker's former home was in Dalton, where she had lived many years and from which place she came to Palmer. She leaves two sons, George E. of Brooklyn, N. Y., and Charles E. of Dalton, and one daughter, Mrs. E. P. Harger of Springfield. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon from the home, Rev. J. H. Palmer officiating; burial was Monday forenoon in Dalton.

Trout Season Draws Near.

Prospects Are Good For the Best Fishing in Recent Years.

Only 19 days remain before trout may be legally taken, as the season opens April 1st. The local disciples of Isaak Walton are beginning to get the fever already. The prospects for good early fishing, unless the weather should change, were never brighter. The absence of snow and ice and the condition of the water in the streams is all that can be desired. The only thing to hinder an early and successful opening will be the arrival of snow. The local merchants have already commenced to display fishing tackle in the store windows. Taking the situation in comparison with past years, the season of 1915 promises to be one of the best.

Deer Hold Up U. S. Mail.

R. F. D. Carrier's Team is Detained by Herd of Four.

Rural Mail Carrier L. S. Bowen, serving route No. 1, which starts toward West Brimfield and winds about over the hills in the northeastern part of the town and finally swings back through Palmer Center, had an unusual experience on Tuesday, when his delivery team was held up by a herd of wild deer. Mr. Bowen had completed the greater part of his day's work and was approaching Palmer Center, when a herd of four deer—a large buck and three doe—came into the road not a great distance ahead of him. His horse stopped in astonishment and declined to advance, evidently knowing that this is a closed season on this kind of game. The deer evidently knew the fact also, for they stood unconcerned in the road looking into the outfit over. After having satisfied their curiosity they moved leisurely into the woods and allowed the mail to proceed.

West Warren Freight House Burned.
The freight house of the Boston and Albany railroad in West Warren was burned about 4.30 yesterday morning, the loss being about \$5000. Many of the merchants lost goods which they had intended to take away during the day. An overheated stove is thought to have been the cause.

Mrs. Horace G. Todd of South Main street has returned from a visit in Boston.

NO NEW POSTMASTER YET

Democrats Disappointed Over Failure to Appoint.

CONGRESS ADJOURNED; NO ACTION.

Postmaster Shaw Apparently Safe in Position for Balance of The Year.

For weeks there has been daily expectation of the appointment of a postmaster for Palmer, to take the place of Postmaster Walter L. Shaw, whose term expired early in January. But Congress has ceased to exist and no appointment has been made. The result is anything but satisfactory to those who have been working for a change, and the present condition is a "pretty kettle of fish," so to speak. The Democratic applicants for the position are not at all pleased with the situation. In fact, one of them remarked recently that he had got about tired of the whole thing, and didn't care particularly whether he ever received the appointment or not.

There are two applicants for the position, John P. O'Connor, chairman of the Democratic town committee, and Frank J. Roche. Both have strong backing and their applications have been in for a long time. Naturally it was to be expected that something would "drop" long before this, especially as Postmaster Shaw's term expired January 11. But Congress has adjourned and no suggestion of a change has been heard of.

This means, probably, that the present incumbent will hold the position for about nine months longer. Mr. Shaw is an applicant for re-appointment, but that he would receive the nomination was not considered likely. Just what the reason for the omission is cannot be conjectured, and naturally the would-be officials and their friends are not in the most pleasant frame of mind over the situation.

Golden Wedding Celebration.

Wilbraham Couple Observe Fifty Years Of Married Life Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert A. Phelps of Wilbraham observed the 50th anniversary of their marriage in their home Monday evening. A pleasant surprise was planned for them by friends and relatives, about 100 of whom gathered at the home of Mrs. George Bull, their daughter, and then proceeded together to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phelps on the Tinkham road. Rev. M. S. Howard extended congratulations in behalf of those present, and Mr. Phelps responded, speaking of the pleasant relations he and Mrs. Phelps had enjoyed with their Wilbraham neighbors, also mentioning the changes that had occurred during the past 50 years. A carving set from the Neighborhood Club was presented them, and a purse of about \$90 was left in appreciation of the esteem in which the couple were held by their friends.

Mr. Phelps has been a life-long resident of Wilbraham, being born in 1841, a son of Loren and Asenith Phelps. Mrs. Phelps was a native of Belchertown, a daughter of David and Salome Keith Wright. She married Mr. Phelps in 1865 and they have spent their married life in their present home, which was built by Mr. Phelps. Both are members of the Congregational church, Mr. Phelps being a deacon of the church, and both are active in the work of the organization. Mr. Phelps has been a selectman and an assessor for the town. There are four children, William A. Phelps at home, Mrs. Mary Leavens of Santa Clara, Cal., Charles R. of Springfield, and Mrs. George Bull of Wilbraham; also two grandchildren.

Motorcyclists Take Tumble.

A combination of high speed and a sharp turn brought two motorcyclists to grief on Thorndike street Sunday evening. Both men were on the same machine, traveling west, and attempted to make the turn from Park into Thorndike street without slowing down sufficiently. As a result they collided with a post on Thorndike street soon after getting into that thoroughfare. Both were thrown off but were not injured beyond slight bruises and scratches. The machine was not put out of commission, but was damaged somewhat.

The Entre Nous Whist Club met last Friday evening with Mrs. G. F. Holden of Central street.

Miss Elizabeth T. Smith, who recently had a serious operation, is doing very nicely and is improving.

FOR CHURCH FEDERATION.

Joint Committee Completes Its Work on Articles.

WHICH ARE GIVEN BELOW IN FULL.

Congregational and Universalist Churches Are to Meet Monday Night For Action.

The joint committee of the Congregational and Universalist churches, which has been working on a plan of federation under which the two churches may unite, as outlined recently, has completed its work. Copies of the articles of agreement have been printed and mailed to the members of both churches, and both churches will hold meetings next Monday evening to consider them. There are two organizations in the Universalist society, the parish and the church; the meeting of the parish will be at 7 o'clock and that of the church at 7.30. The meeting of the Congregational church will be at 7.30.

There is much interest in the proposition throughout the community outside the organizations directly interested, and the result of the meetings Monday evening will be awaited with no small measure of curiosity.

The articles of agreement as prepared by the committee are:

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of St. Paul's Church of Palmer, Mass., St. Paul's Parish of Palmer and the Second Congregational Church of Palmer, Mass., in order to promote the unity of Christ's disciples, to more efficiently fulfill His mission and to exercise wise stewardship of the resources of the Kingdom of God entrusted to us, do hereby adopt the following articles:

ARTICLE I.

Section 1.—We agree to unite as one congregation for purposes of Christian worship and service.

Section 2.—The denominational affiliations of members may be retained.

Section 3.—Members hereafter added by letter or profession shall choose in which organization they shall be enrolled.

Section 4.—All questions of Church standing shall be referred to the Church whose members are concerned.

Section 5.—The congregation shall meet for worship or business at the times and places designated by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1.—There shall be an executive committee of 12, composed of the Standing Committee of St. Paul's Parish, the Executive Committee of the Second Congregational Church and three other members of the latter.

Section 2.—A minister shall be engaged by the Executive Committee, who shall be in Fellowship in both Congregational and Universalist Societies.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1.—The Deacons of the Congregation shall be the Deacons of the two Churches, serving jointly in the performance of their established functions.

Section 2.—The Executive Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1.—The use and income of all properties and resources of the above organization shall be placed at the disposal of the Executive Committee, to be used for the benefit of the Congregation.

Section 2.—No title to property shall be altered by these articles.

ARTICLE V.

Section 1.—A business meeting of the Congregation may be called by the Executive Committee by a notice announced from the pulpit, or posted in the vestibule of the house of worship at least seven days before the time of meeting.

Section 2.—The meeting shall be called to order by the Secretary, or in his absence by any member of the Executive Committee, and shall elect a presiding officer by ballot.

Section 3.—Twenty-five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but a meeting may be adjourned by a smaller number.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1.—These articles shall be effective when adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting of St. Paul's Church of Palmer, Mass., St. Paul's Parish of Palmer, and The Second Congregational Church of Palmer, Mass., and shall continue in force until Jan. 1, 1916.

Section 2.—These articles may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting of each of the above organizations, at meetings in the call for which notice of the amendment has been given.

Section 3.—These articles may be annulled by a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting of either of the above organizations, at a meeting in the call for which notice of the proposed action is given and after all obligations of the Congregation and any societies and committees thereof are paid in full to the date of proposed annulment.

Warren Water Works Hearing.

Largely Attended Meeting Last Friday. Some Opposition to Plan.

About 400 voters and 150 other persons interested in the proposition of a water system for the town of Warren attended the hearing before the Legislative committee on water supply in the town hall last Friday. A special electric car was run from West Warren and carried a large number of interested citizens.

The members of the committee reached Warren about 10 o'clock, and were taken in automobiles for a trip around the town to get an idea of the situation. The trip covered the entire territory, and included a visit to the well of the Warren Cotton Mills, two miles south of the town, which the Company has established for furnishing water to its buildings. The lack of an adequate water supply for fire protection and for domestic purposes was pointed out. About 25 of the committee and citizens formed a party which had dinner at the Hotel Ramsdell at 12.30.

The hearing was called at 1.30. Favoring the proposition that the town be allowed to issue bonds for the installation of a water supply, remarks were made by Frank E. Gleason and J. Henry Adams of the town water committee, Frank F. Phinney, Joseph G. Hastings, Gilbert Pontbriand, Dr. John E. Dalton, Superintendent of Schools Albert J. Chidester and Joseph D. Vigneaux. E. E. Hobson of Palmer spoke for the remonstrants, appearing as counsel for the Warren Cotton Mills; Jere Kane of Spencer represented a few farmers. Walter B. Hall, agent of the Warren Cotton Mills, gave some information on request. There seemed to be no question but that the village of Warren needed a water supply. Mr. Hobson however favored a water district for West Warren, with a charter privilege to the Warren Cotton Mills which would allow them to sell water to West Warren residents. Mr. Kane wished the committee to go slow until the farmers had a chance to find out what the conditions are to be if the system is installed.

The meeting was adjourned in time to allow the committee to take the 4 o'clock express, which was stopped for them, back to Boston.

Hampden's Oldest Resident.

Death of Sumner Smith, 89, at His Home Last Sunday.

Sumner Smith, 89, Hampden's oldest resident, died at his home, South Road, Sunday morning after several years of failing health, the last four of which he has been totally blind. Mr. Smith was born in Willington, Ct., but came to Hampden 69 years ago and was employed as foreman of the finishing department for Bradford & Scripser, in the first woolen mill of the town, afterwards known as the Lacowise mill. In all Mr. Smith was employed for over 31 years in the mills, 25 years of which he was superintendent of the Lacowise mills. In 1877 he bought the store of W. P. Fuller and carried this on for 27 years, retiring about 11 years ago on account of failing eyesight. He has occupied the offices of town clerk and treasurer, and has been on the board of selectmen; was elected to the Legislature in 1892, and was justice of the peace for 30 years. He was for 60 years a member of the Baptist church. After he was unable to take an active part in public affairs he retained his interest in all that took place. Mr. Smith was twice married, his first wife dying in 1861. Several years later he married Ellen A. Arnold of Somers, Ct. He is survived by two children of this marriage, William S. Smith of Cambridge and Mrs. James V. W. Boyd of Springfield; also two grandchildren and a niece, Mrs. Hattie Walcott of Stafford Springs, Ct. The funeral was held from the home Tuesday, Rev. Dr. Joseph Sullivan officiating; burial was in the old cemetery at Hampden.

WILBRAHAM.

The assessors have organized as follows: Chairman, W. A. Mowry; clerk, W. F. Morgan.

The monthly community supper of the United church will be held to-night, and will be followed by a short entertainment.

Miss Ruth P. Green, who has been spending several weeks with her brother, Walter R. Green of Winthrop, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Newton, who have been spending the past five weeks in Orlando, Fla., leave there to-day on their return home.

Communion was observed last Sunday at the United church of Wilbraham and 35 new members were received into the church, 23 joining the Congregational faith and 12th Methodist.

FOR ROAD IMPROVEMENT.

Business Club Committee After Ware Highway.

BILL IS BEFORE THE LEGISLATURE.

\$20,000 Asked to Improve Thoroughfare From Ware River Toward Palmer Center.

The special committee of the Palmer Business and Social Club, appointed early in the year to co-operate with a committee from the town of Ware in an attempt to get the State to improve the highway between the two towns, made a report at the regular business meeting of the club Tuesday evening.

The two committees have conferred, and as a result they have had introduced into the Legislature a bill asking for an appropriation of \$20,000 for the improvement of the highway from the Ware river, on the road to Palmer, as far toward Palmer Center as the money will go. The greater portion of this will be expended in the town of Palmer, as macadam road has already been built from Ware to the river, leaving only about a half mile between that point and the Palmer line. Senator Hargis of Hampshire county is reported in favor of the bill, as is also Senator Cummings of the Worcester-Hampden district, and the State Highway Commission. This strip of road is also included in the recommendations of the state commission appointed to consider transportation problems in the western part of the state, the committee favoring the construction of a considerable number of pieces of state road in various sections. If the latter bill should be reported favorably the special bill for the Ware-Palmer road, will be dropped; otherwise an effort will be made to get the special appropriation this year.

A hearing was held in Boston Tuesday, word of which was received in Palmer Monday afternoon. It was attended by Thomas J. Moran, chairman of the road committee, and ex-Representative Ernest E. Hobson. Ware citizens were also present. Mr. Moran stated that the road was very important for travel from Palmer to Ware, and was part of the line from Palmer to Athol and that part of the state.

B. W. Southworth of Ware said that the proposed line was the only outlet from Ware to an east and west line of state highway. Conditions to the east are so bad that Ware is forced to go to Palmer to find a way out. There is a very bad underpass on the line which ought to be taken care of. The town has been liberal in its road-building and in the last four years over 50 per cent of the expenses have been for macadam road. It is probable that the tax rate for this year will be well toward \$25 against \$22 last year, largely on account of road building. Road material can be procured on good terms. A big five-ton truck has put the road in very bad condition and there is no prospect that it will cease to run. Representative Cady of Monson, for the bill, said the road was a tough proposition and something ought to be done. Mr. Hobson said there was no question that the road was one of the worst in the state and the committee ought to see it. Speaking for the town of Palmer, he said he would not ask for the bill were it not for the fact that Palmer is doing so much for highway. Ninety-nine per cent of the use of the state road in the town is by non-residents. In the last 10 years the town has spent \$90,000 for permanent highway improvement. The town spends \$6000 yearly for general repairs of highway; \$2500 for permanent repairs and \$6500 for this road from Palmer to Ware. In addition, there are two fire districts which have their own taxes. Really the tax rate in the town was \$24.30 last year. There was no opposition.

H. P. Smith represented the town of Wales at the hearing, in favor of the proposed \$15,000 for state highway from the end of the present state highway about a quarter of a mile north of Wales to the Connecticut line in Stafford. He enlarged upon the natural wealth of the town, the value of manufactures, the need of developing farm resources, the great need of transportation and the efforts of the farmers to improve their conditions. Springfield is the natural market of the town. He presented a large amount of statistics to support the bill. Representative Cady of Monson wished to be recorded in favor of the bill.

The Music Student's Club which was to meet next Monday evening, will meet next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Eric Allen of Pleasant street.

Thorndike School Leads Again.

Three Rivers in Second Place. Thorndike Also Has Best Room.

The Thorndike grammar school again leads in the matter of attendance for the second term of the present school year, which ended February 26, having attained a per cent of 97.60. During this term this school also had the smallest number of tardy cases registered against it of any grammar school in town. The Three Rivers grammar school is in second place, its per cent of attendance being 96.84. Three tardy cases are recorded against

	Enrollment	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Per cent	Tardy	Perfect Attendance
High School	172	170.03	161.77	95.14	.11	79
PALMER GRAMMAR SCHOOL.						
Grade						
8 and 9	26	25.63	24.68	96.29	0	16
7	38	36.91	35.95	96.02	2	25
6 and 7	44	43.59	42.54	96.5	0	20
5	41	40.7	39.4	96.8	1	20
4	44	44.22	42.05	95.10	0	23
3	42	41.46	40.17	96.91	0	27
2 and 3	55	54	52.7	95.8	0	27
1	45	43.66	41.13	91.90	2	18
	44	44	41.88	95.18	1	12
	52	50.54	48.27	91.55	1	18
	31	28.56	25.11	87.93	4	4
	35	32.95	29.68	91.32	0	5
	495	485.32	459.96	94.28	10	259
THORNDIKE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.						
Grade						
8 and 9	29	28	27.80	96.28	0	23
7	42	40.51	38.55	92.92	0	25
6 and 7	31	30.5	30.13	98.78	0	25
5	36	35.42	34.42	97.19	1	23
4	37	35.47	32.47	92.03	0	30
3	38	37.86	36.86	97.35	0	30
2	48	47.13	45.08	95.64	0	22
1	29	28.52	24.51	97.90	1	179
THREE RIVERS GRAMMAR SCHOOL.						
Grade						
8 and 9	35	34.15	33.51	98.1	0	26
7	32	31.46	30.21	96.23	0	11
6 and 7	31	30.5	30.78	97.7	0	18
5	40	40.83	40.25	98.3	0	21
4	49	48.63	47.35	97.37	1	34
3	47	46.39	45.27	95.59	0	25
2	47	46.54	45.77	97.35	1	30
1 and 2	41	41.9	41.05	97.97	0	26
1	51	50.32	47.96	95.10	1	23
	385	381.03	369.16	96.84	3	225
BONDVILLE GRAMMAR SCHOOL.						
Grade						
8 and 9	27	27	26.57	98.41	0	18
7	37	34.87	33.69	96.33	0	17
6 and 7	29	27.74	27.12	97.79	0	20
5	37	36.17	34.93	96.59	0	14
4	34	33.71	31.81	94.32	0	23
3	42	42.42	40.34	95.1	1	18
2	38	37.5	35.52	93.66	1	12
1	32	31.5	29.24	92.82	0	8
	269	260.92	248.30	95.65	2	130
DISTRICTS.						
Wire Mill	45	42.3	40.9	96.93	2	18
Palmer Center	30	29.6	27.6	93.05	0	13
Shorley	13	12.90	12.80	98.22	0	10
	88	84.80	81.30	96.07	2	41
SUMMARY.						
School	1915	1914	1915	1914	1915	1914
High	172	163	170.03	155.03	161.77	148.78
Palmer Gram.	495	477	485.32	462.82	459.96	421.09
Thorndike Gram.	259	235	252.64	230.55	245.31	221.51
Three R. Gram.	385	333	381.03	343.35	369.16	325.06
Bond. Gram.	269	256	260.92	253.96	248.30	244
Districts	88	79	84.80	75.66	81.30	67.78
Total	1668	1563	1634.71	1521.37	1565.80	1429.22

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HAROLD MACGRATH

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The Place of Honeymoons, etc.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant, with a caged parrot, the trio known up and down the Irrawaddy as Parrot & Co., travel along the road to the landing, bound for Rangoon to cash a draft for 800,000 rupees.

CHAPTER II—Elsa Chetwood, rich American girl tourist, sees Warrington come aboard the boat at the landing and, amazed at his likeness to her fiancé, Arthur Ellison, asks the purser to introduce her. Conservative English passengers are shocked at her breach of the conventionalities.

CHAPTER III—The purser tells Elsa that Warrington, the outcast adventurer, has beaten a syndicate and sold his oil claims for \$250,000. Warrington puts Rajah, the parrot, through his tricks for Elsa and warns her against acquaintance with unknown adventurers—himself, in fact.

CHAPTER IV.

Two Days of Paradise.

At first Elsa did not know whether she was annoyed or amused. The man's action was absurd, or would have been in any other man. His advice to her to go home was downright impudence; and yet the sight of the parrot cage dangling at his side made it impossible for her to take lasting offense. Once upon a time there had been a little boy who played in her garden. When he was cross he would take his playthings and go home. The boy might easily have been this man Warrington, grown up.

Of course he would come and apologize to her for his rudeness. Perhaps he had resented her curiosity; perhaps her questions had been pressed too hard; and perhaps he had suddenly doubted her genuine interest. At any rate it was a novel experience. And that bewildering likeness!

She returned to her chair and opened the book again. And as she read her wonder grew. The diction was exquisite; there was style; but now as she read there was lacking the one thing that stood for life—blood. It did not pulsate in the veins of these people. Until now she had not recognized this fact, and she was half-way through the book. What had happened to her since yesterday? To what cause might be assigned this opposite angle of vision, so clearly defined?

The book fell upon her knees and dreamily she watched the perspective open and divaricate. The low banks with their golden haze of dust, the cloudless sky, the sad and lonely white pagodas, charmed her; and the languor of the East crept stealthily into her northern blood. She was not conscious of the subtle change; she only knew that the world of yesterday was unlike that of today.

Warrington, after depositing Rajah in the stateroom, sought the bench on the stern deck. He filled his cutty with purser-loaned tobacco and roundly damned himself as a blockhead. He had forgotten all the niceties of civilization; he no longer knew how to behave. The first young woman in all these years who had treated him as an equal, and he had straightway proceeded to lecture her upon the evils of traveling alone in the Orient!

And yet he had told her the truth. It was not right that a young and attractive woman should wander about in the East, unattended save by a middle-aged companion. It would provoke the devil in men who were not wholly bad. Women had the fallible idea that they could read human nature, and never found out their mistake until after they were married. He knew her kind. If she wanted to walk through the bazaars in the evening she would do so. If a man followed her she would ignore the fact. If he caught up with her and spoke she would continue on as if she had not heard. If a man touched her she would rely upon the fire of her eyes. She would never call out for help. Some women were just that silly.

He bit hard upon the stem of his pipe. What was all this to him? Why should he bother his head about a woman he had known but a few hours? Ah, why lie to himself? He knew what Elsa, usually quick and receptive, did not know, that he was not afraid of her, but terribly afraid of himself. For things ripen quickly in the East, men

and women, souls and deeds. And he was something like the pariah dog, spoken kindly to, it attached itself immediately and enduringly.

He struck the cutty against his boot heel. Why not? It would be only for two days. At Rangoon their paths would separate; he would never see her again. He got up. He would go to her at once and apologize. And thus he surrendered to the very devil he had but a moment gone so vigorously discountenanced.

He found her asleep in her chair. The devil which had brought him to her side was thrust back. Why, she was nothing more than a beautiful child! A great yearning to brother came into his heart. He did not disturb her, but waited until five, that grave and sober hour, when kings and clerks stop work for no logical reason whatever—tea. She opened her eyes and saw him watching her. He rose quickly.

"I was very rude a little while ago. Will you accept my apologies?"

"On condition that you will never take your playthings and go home." He laughed engagingly. "You've hit it squarely. It was the act of a petulant child."

"It did not sound exactly like a man who had stoked six months from Singapore to the Andaman Islands. But there is one thing I must understand before this acquaintance contin-



"No, I Am Going to Singapore."

ues. You said, 'Who knows what manner of man I am?' Have you ever done anything that would conscientiously forbid you to speak to a young, unmarried woman?"

Take care of herself? He rather believed she could. The bluntness of her question dissipated any doubt that remained.

"No. I haven't been that kind of a man," simply. "I could look into my mother's eyes without any sense of shame, if that is what you mean."

"That is all I care to know. Your mother is living?"

"Yes. But I haven't seen her in ten years." His mother! His brows met in a frown. His proud, beautiful mother!

Elsa saw the frown and realized that she had approached delicate ground. She stirred her tea and sipped it slowly.

"There has been a deal of chatter about shifty, untrustworthy eyes," he said. "The greatest liars I have ever known could look St. Peter straight and serenely in the eye. It's a matter of steady nerves, nothing more. Somebody says that so and so is a fact, and we go on believing it for years, until someone who is not a person but an individual explodes it."

"I agree with you. But there is something we rely upon far more than either eyes or ears, instinct. It is that attribute of the animal which civilization has not yet successfully dulled. Women rely upon that more readily than men."

"And make more mistakes," with a cynicism he could not conceal.

She had no ready counter for this. "Do you go home from Rangoon, now that you have made your fortune?"

"No. I am going to Singapore. I shall make my plans there."

Singapore. Elsa stirred uneasily. It would be like having a ghost by her side. She wanted to tell him what had really drawn her interest. But it seemed to her that the moment to do so had passed.

"Vultures! How I detest them!" She pointed toward a sand bar upon which stood several of these abominable birds and an adjutant, solemn and aloof. "At Lucknow they were red headed. I do not recollect seeing one of them fly. But I admire the kites; they look much like our eagles."

"And thus again the eye misleads us. There is nothing that flies so rapacious as the kite."

Little by little she drew from him a sketch here, a phase there. She was given glimpses into the life of the East such as no book or guide had ever given; and the boat was circling toward the landing at Prome before they became aware of the time.

Warrington rushed ashore to find the dry-goods shop. His social redemption was on the way, if vanity went for anything. It was stirring and tingling with life again. With the money advanced by the purser he bought shirts and collars and ties, and as he possessed no watch, returned barely in time to dress for dinner. He was not at all disturbed to learn that the inquisitive German, the colonel and his fidgety charges, had decided to proceed to Rangoon by rail, indeed there was a bit of exultation in his

manner as he observed the vacant chairs. Paradise for two whole days. And he proposed to make the most of it. Now his mind was as clear of evil as a forest spring. He simply wanted to play; wanted to give rein to the lighter emotions so long pent up in his lonely heart.

The purser, used to these sudden

changes and desertions in his passenger lists, gave the situation no thought. But Elsa saw a mild danger, all the more alluring because it hung nebulously. What harm could there be in having a little fling? He was so amazingly like outwardly, so astonishingly unlike inwardly, that the situation had for her a subtle fascination against which she was in nowise inclined to fight. She was not wholly ignorant of her power. She could bend the man if she tried. Should she try?

They were like two children, setting out to play a game with fire.

She thought of Arthur. Had he gone the length of his thirty-five years without his peccadilloes? Scarcely. She understood the general run of men well enough to accept this fact. Whom ever she married she was never going to worry him with questions regarding his bachelor life. Nor did she propose to be questioned about her own past. Besides, she hadn't married Arthur yet; she had only promised to. And such promises were sometimes sensibly broken. These thoughts flashed through her mind, disconnectedly, while she talked and laughed.

It never occurred to her to have Martha moved up from the foot of the table. Once or twice she stole a glance at the woman who had in the olden days dangled her on her knees. The glance was a mixture of guilt and mischief, like a child's. But the glance had not the power to attract Martha's eyes. Martha felt the glances as surely as if she had lifted her eyes to meet them. She held her peace. She had not been brought along as Elsa's guardian. Elsa was not self-willed but strong-willed, and Martha realized that any interference would result in estrangement. In fact, Martha beheld in Warrington a real menace. The extraordinary resemblance would naturally appeal to Elsa, with what results she could only imagine. Later she asked Elsa if she had told Warrington of the remarkable resemblance.

"Mercy no! And what is more, I do not want him to know. Men are vain as a rule; and I should not like to hurt his vanity by telling him that I sought his acquaintance simply because he might easily have been Arthur Ellison's twin brother."

"The man you are engaged to marry."

"Well, Martha?"

"I beg your pardon, Elsa; but the stranger terrifies me. He is something uncanny."

"Nonsense! You've been reading tales about yogi."

"It is a terrible country."

"It is the East, Martha, the East. Here a man may wear a dress suit and a bowler without offending anyone."

"And a woman may talk to anyone she pleases."

"You have been with me twenty years," began Elsa coldly.

"And love you better than the whole world! And I wish I could guard you always from harm and evil. Those horrid old Englishwomen . . ."

"Oh; so there's been gossip already? You know my views regarding gossip. So long as I know that I am doing no wrong, ladies may gossip their heads off. I'm not a kitten."

"You are twenty-five, and yet you're only a child."

"What does that signify? That I am too young to manage my own affairs? That I must set my clock as others order? Good soul! putting her arms around the older woman. "Don't worry about Elsa Chetwood. Her life is her own, but she will never misuse it."

"Oh, if you were only married and settled down!"

"You mean if I were happily married and settled down. There you have it. I'm in search of happiness. That's the Valley of Diamonds. When I find that, Martha, you may fold your hands in peace."

"Grant it may be soon! I hate the East!"

"And I have just begun to love it."

CHAPTER V.

Back to Life.

The two days between Prome and Rangoon were distinctly memorable for the subtle changes wrought in the man and woman. Those graces of mind and manner which had once been the man's began to find expression. Physically, his voice became soft and mellow; his hands became full of emphasis; his body grew less and less clumsy, more and more leonine. The blunt speech, the irritability in argument, the stupid pauses, the painful study of cunning phrases, the suspicion and reticence that figuratively encrust the hearts of shy and lonely men, these vanished under her warm if careless glances.

If the crust of barbarism is thick that of civilization is thin enough. As Warrington went forward Elsa stopped and gradually went back, not far, but far enough to cause her to throw down the bars of reserve, to cease to guard her impulses against the invasion of interest and fascination. She faced the truth squarely. The man fascinated her. He was like a portrait with following eyes. She spoke familiarly of her affairs (always omitting Arthur); she talked of her travels, of the wonderful people she had met, of the wonderful pageants she had witnessed. It was not her fault that, with the exception of Martha, who didn't count, they two were the only passengers. This condition of affairs was directly chargeable to fate; and before the boat reached Rangoon, Elsa was quite willing to let fate shift and set the scenes how it would.

The phase that escaped her entirely was this, that had he not progressed she would have retained her old poise, the old poise of which she was never again to be mistress. It is the old tale—sympathy to lift up another first

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WARE.

Michael Moriarty was before the district court Saturday morning charged with drunkenness. He was found guilty and paid a fine of five dollars.

Mrs. Mary Fox, 64, died at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Murphy on Brimstone Hill Sunday morning after a long illness. There are no near relatives. The funeral was held from All Saint's church Tuesday morning, and burial was in St. William's cemetery.

In the district court Saturday morning James Francis of Boston pleaded guilty to obtaining subscriptions to magazines under false pretenses. He had received over 40 subscriptions for which he had received advance payment. He paid a fine of \$10. A companion was allowed to go, as there was no evidence that he had obtained any subscriptions.

Joseph V. Daley of the state police brought Henry F. Norton, principal of the Enfield grammar school, before the district court last Friday, the charge being an unnatural act. He pleaded not guilty and asked for a continuance of the case for two weeks, which was granted and he was ordered to furnish bonds of \$1000 for his appearance on the 19th. This he was unable to do and was committed to Northampton jail.

A horse belonging to Alton B. Winslow which was attached to a milk wagon became frightened at a passing automobile Friday morning on East street and ran full speed through Main street, where the cart collided with an auto truck belonging to the Ware Lumber Company and the horse freed itself from the wagon and ran to Ware Center, where it was afterwards captured. The wagon was somewhat demolished, and about 50 bottles and four cans of milk were lost.

HAMPDEN.

An accident which might have ended much more seriously occurred Tuesday forenoon, when a horse driven by George A. Chapin became frightened and ran, throwing the occupants of the carriage to the ground. With Mr.

Chapin were John B. Isham and Mrs. Edna Isham, all of whom escaped with a few bruises. The carriage was demolished and the horse was caught near the Clinton Markham place.

Miss Anna Burleigh entertained the R. R. Club last Saturday afternoon. The next meeting of the club will be with Miss Frances Stockton next Saturday.

The following candidates have been elected by the Methodist Sunday school to attend the Sunday school convention to be held in Holyoke tomorrow: Mrs. George Shaw, Mrs. Bessie Bennett, Miss Kenia Carew and J. C. Brown.

WALES.

Rev. Edgar Hatfield is visiting friends in Boston.

The Baptist church is receiving a much-needed coat of paint.

The public schools will close this week for a vacation of two weeks.

Miss Leona Steele has returned to Palmer after spending a week with friends in town.

Miss Marjorie Chapin of Springfield has been spending a week with her mother, Mrs. Bessie Chapin.

Mrs. LaRoy Squier entertained the Methodist Ladies' Aid Society at her home on Wednesday afternoon, and served a supper in the evening.

Next Sunday will be observed as denominational day at the Baptist church. Rev. Charles T. Holt will speak upon "Baptist Principles and Teachings."

A committee consisting of Mrs. Holt, Mrs. Burley and Mrs. Thompson has been appointed to arrange for the annual roll call and supper in the Baptist church on the evening of April 1st.

The brick walls of the Methodist church, which have been standing since the fire, have been taken down and work on the new building will begin soon. It will be a one-story structure, covering rather more ground than the former building and consequently extending nearer the house of H. C. Needham.

Mrs. George Daniels and Mrs. Louis Calkins and children of Three Rivers

have been spending a week at "Kamp Komfort." Mr. Daniels and Mr. Calkins are living in the cottage while they are engaged in building a barn for N. F. Bradley.

The fire wardens of Brimfield and Wales were called upon Tuesday morning to fight a fire along the town line. Permission had been granted for a fire on the Henry Shaw farm, but it got beyond control and burned over several acres, mostly grass land, on that farm and the one adjoining it, belonging to Mrs. E. J. Burley.

Miss Elsie Stebbins has returned from Chicopee, where she served as ribbon-bearer at the wedding of Miss Helen G. Smith, daughter of Rev. Harlan P. Smith, formerly of this town, and Warren C. Shaw of Chicopee. The marriage took place on Saturday evening at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Shaw. The father of the bride performed the ceremony.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

The Camp Fire Girls met Monday evening in the home of Mrs. Isabelle Young.

Miss Ruth I. Calkins will have charge of the branch of the Wilbraham library which has been opened in the home of George Calkins in Glendale. The library trustees have opened this branch to see if the circulation of the library cannot be increased.

A large area of land in the vicinity of Overlook poultry farm was burned Tuesday afternoon, and it was necessary to call the Ludlow fire department to put out the blaze. The fire is supposed to have caught from sparks from a locomotive on the Boston and Albany railroad.

John Deloy, second track operator at the Boston and Albany station, hearing what he thought to be a woman's screams about 1.30 Tuesday morning, started to render assistance, accompanied by Frank Thayer. What they thought to be a woman in distress proved to be only a dog baying at the moon.

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steps down. And never had her sympathy gone out so quickly to any mortal. Elsa had a horror of loneliness, and this man seemed to be the living presentment of the word. What struggles, and how simply he recounted them! What things he had seen, what adventures had befallen him, what romance and mystery! She wondered if there had been a woman in his life and if she had been the cause of his downfall. Every day of the past ten years lay open for her to admire or condemn, but beyond these ten years there was a Chinese wall, over which she might not look. Only once had she provoked the silent negative nod of his head. He was strong. Not the smallest corner of the veil was she permitted to turn aside. She walked hither and thither along the scarps and bastions of the barrier, but never found the breach.

"Will you come and dine with me to-night?" she asked, as they left the boat.

"No, Miss Innocence."

"That's silly. There isn't a soul I know here."

"But," gravely he replied, "there are many here who know me."

"Which infers that my invitation is unwise?"

"Absolutely unwise. Frankly, I ought not to be seen with you."

"Why? Unless, indeed, you have not told me the truth. Where's the harm?"

"For myself, none. On the boat it did not matter so much. It was a situation which neither of us could foresee nor prevent. I have told you that people here look askance at me because they know nothing about me, save that I came from the States. And they are wise. I should be a cad if I accepted your invitation to dinner."

"Then I am not to see you again?"

The smile would have lured him across three continents. "Tomorrow I promise to call and have tea with you, much against my better judgment."

"Oh, if you don't want to come . . ."

"Don't want to come!"

Something in his eyes caused Elsa to speak hurriedly. "Good-by until tomorrow."

She gave him her hand for a moment, stepped into the carriage, which already held Martha and the luggage, and then drove off to the Strand hotel.

He stood with his helmet in his hand. A fine, warm rain was falling, but he was not conscious of it. It seemed incredible that time should produce such a change within the space of seventy hours, a little more, a little less. As she turned and waved a friendly hand he knew that the desolation which had been his for ten years was nothing as compared to that which



She Spoke Familiarly of Her Affairs (Always Omitting Arthur).

now fell upon his heart. She was as unattainable as the north star; and nothing, time nor circumstance, could bridge that incalculable distance. His heart hurt him. He must see her no more after the morrow. Enchantment and happiness were two words which fate had ruthlessly scratched from his book of days.

Mr. Hooghly had already started off toward the town, the kit bag and the valise slung across his shoulders, the parrot cage bobbing at his side. He knew where to go; an obscure lodging for men in the heart of the business section, known in jest by the derelicts as the Stranded.

Warrington, becoming suddenly aware that his pose, if prolonged, would become ridiculous, put on his helmet and proceeded to the Bank of Burma. Today was Wednesday; Thursday week he would sail for Singapore and close the chapter. Before banking hours were over his financial affairs were put in order, and he walked forth with two letters of credit and enough banknotes and gold to carry him around the world if he so planned. Next he visited a pawnshop and laid down a dozen mutilated tickets, receiving in return a handsome watch, emerald cuff buttons, some stickpins, some pearls and a beautiful old ruby ring, a gift of the young maharajah of Udalpur. The ancient Chinaman smiled. This was a rare occasion. Men generally went out of his dark and dingy shop and nevermore returned.

"Much money. Can do now?" affably.

"Can do," replied Warrington, slipping the treasures into a pocket. What a struggle it had been to hold them! Somehow or other he had always been able to meet the interest, though, often to accomplish this feat he had been forced to go without tobacco for weeks.

There is a vein of superstition in all of us deny it how we will. Warrington was as certain of the fact as he

was of the rising and the setting of the sun, that if he lost these heirlooms he never could go back to the old, familiar world, the world in which he had moved and lived and known happiness. Never again would he part with them: A hundred thousand dollars, almost; with his simple wants, he was now a rich man.

"Buy ling?" asked the Chinaman. He rolled a mandarin's ring carelessly across the showcase. "Gold; all heavy; vally old, velly good ling."

"What does it say?" asked Warrington, pointing to the characters.

"Good luck and plosperity; velly good signs."

It was an unusually beautiful ring, unusual in that it had no setting of jade. Warrington offered three sovereigns for it. The Chinaman smiled and put the ring away. Warrington laughed and laid down five pieces of gold. The Chinaman swept them up in his lean, dry hands. And Warrington departed, wondering if she would accept such a token.

By four o'clock he arrived at the Chinese tailors in the Suley Pagoda road. He ordered a suit of pongee, to be done at noon the following day. He added to this orders for four other suits, to be finished within a week. Then he went to the shoemaker, to the hatter, to the haberdasher. All this business because he wanted her to realize what he had been and yet could be. Thus vanity sometimes works out a man's salvation. And it marked the end of Warrington's recidivation.

When he reached his lodging house he sought the Burmese landlady. She greeted him with a smile and a stiff little shake of the hand. He owed her money, but that was nothing. Had he not sent her drunken European sailorman husband about his business? Had he not freed her from a tyranny of fists and curses? It had not affected her in the least to learn that her sailorman had been negligently married all the way from Yokohama to Colombo. She was free of him.

Warrington spread out a five-pound note and laid ten sovereigns upon it. "There we are," he said genially; "all paid up to date."

"You go 'way?" the smile leaving her pretty moon-face. "You like?" with a gesture which indicated the parlor and its contents. "Be boss? Half an' half?"

He shook his head soberly. She picked up the money and jingled it in her hand.

"Goo-by!" softly.

"Oh, I'm not going until next Thursday."

The smile returned to her face, and her body bent in a kind of kotow. He was so big, and his beard glistened like the gold leaf on the Shwe Dagon pagoda. She understood. The white to the white and the brown to the brown; it was the law.

Warrington went on to his room. He was welcomed by a screech from the parrot and a dignified salaam from James, who was trimming the wick of the oil lamp. For the last year and a half this room had served as headquarters. Many a financial puzzle had been pieced together within these dull, drab walls; many a dream had gone up to the ceiling, only to sink and dissipate like smoke. There were no pictures on the walls, no photographs. In one corner, on the floor, was a stack of dilapidated books. These were mostly old novels and tomes dealing with geological and mathematical matters; laughter and tears and adventure, sandwiched in between the dry positiveness of straight lines and squares and circles and numerals without end; D'Artagnan hobnobbing with Euclid! Warrington was an educated man, but he was in no sense a scholar. James applied a match to the wick, and the general poverty of the room was instantly made manifest.

"Well, old sober-top, suppose we square up and part like good friends?"

"I am always the sahib's good friend."

"Right as rain!" Warrington emptied his pockets upon the table; silver and gold and paper. "Eh? That's the stuff. Without it the world's not worth a tinker's dam. Count out seventy pounds, James."

Calmly James took sovereign after sovereign until he had withdrawn the required sum. "Gold is heavy, sahib," he commented. "You go back home?"

"Yes. Something like home. I am going to Paris, where good people go when they die. I am going to drink vintage wines, eat truffles and mushrooms and caviar and kiss the pretty girls in Maxim's. I've been in prison for ten years. I am free, free!" Warrington flung out his arms. "Good-by, jungles, deserts, hell heat and thirsty winds! Good-by, crusts and rags and hunger! I am going to live."

"The sahib has fever," observed the unimaginative Eurasian.

"That's the word; fever. I am burning up. Here; go to the Strand and get a bottle of champagne, and bring some ice. Buy a box of the best cigars, and hurry back. Then put this junk in the trunk. And d—n the smell of kerosene!"

James raised his hand warningly. From the adjoining room came the sound of a quarrel.

"Rupees one hundred and forty, and I want it now, you sneak!"

"But I told you I couldn't square up until the first of the month."

"You had no business to play poker, then, if you knew you couldn't settle."

"Who asked me to play?" shrilled the other. "You did. Well, I haven't got the money."

"You miserable little wretch! The ring is worth a hundred and forty!"

"You'll never get your dirty fingers inside of that."

"Oh, I shan't, eh?"

Warrington heard a scuffling, which was presently followed by a low, choking sob. He rushed fearlessly into the

other room. Pinned to the wall was a young man with a weak, pale face. The other man presented nothing more than the back of his broad, muscular shoulders. The disparity in weight and height was sufficient to rouse Warrington's sense of fair play. Besides, he was in a rough mood himself.

"Here, that'll do," he cried, seizing the heavier man by the collar. "It isn't worth while to kill a man for a



"Good God!" He murmured.

handful of rupees. Let go, you fool!" He used his strength. The man and his victim swung in a half-circle and crashed to the floor.

With a snarl and an oath the gambler sprang to his feet and started toward Warrington. He stopped short.

"Good God!" he murmured; and retreated until he touched the footboard of the bed.

CHAPTER VI.

In the Next Room.

"Craig?" Warrington whispered the word, as if he feared the world might hear the deadly menace in his voice. For murder leaped up in his heart as flame leaps up in pine kindling.

The weak young man got to his knees, then to his feet. He steadied himself by clutching the back of a chair. With one hand he felt of his throat tenderly.

"He tried to kill me, the black-guard," he croaked.

"Craig, it is you! For ten years I've never thought of you without murder in my heart. Newell Craig, and here, right where I can put my hands upon you! Oh, this old world is small!" Warrington laughed. It was a high, thin sound.

The young man looked from his enemy to his deliverer, and back again. What new row was this? Never before had he seen the blackguard with that look in his dark, handsome, predatory face. It typified fear. And who was this big, blond chap whose fingers were working so convulsively?

"Craig," said the young man, "you get out of here, and if you ever come bothering me, I'll shoot you. Hear me?"

This direful threat did not seem to stir the sense of hearing in either of the two men. Suddenly the blond man caught the door and swung it wide.

"Craig, a week ago I'd have throttled you without the least compunction. Today I can't touch you. But get out of here as fast as you can. You might have gone free foremost. Go! Out of Rangoon, too. I may change my mind."

The man called Craig walked out, squaring his shoulders with a touch of bravado that did not impress even the bluffed pigeon. Warrington stood listening until he heard the hall door close sharply.

"Thanks," said the bewildered youth. Warrington whirled upon him sagely. "Thanks? Don't thank me, you weak-kneed fool!"

"Oh, I say, now!" the other protested.

"Be silent! If you owe that scoundrel anything, refuse to pay it. He never won a penny in his life without cheating. Keep out of his way; keep out of the way of all men who prefer to deal only two hands." And with this advice Warrington stepped out into the hallway and shut the door rudely.

"Pay the purser and get a box of cigars," Warrington directed James. "Never mind about the wine. I shan't want it now."

James went out upon the errands immediately.

Warrington dropped down in the creaky rocking-chair, the only one in the boarding house. He stared at the worn and faded carpet. How dingy everything looked! What a sordid rut he had been content to lie in! Chance: to throw this man across his path when he had almost forgotten him, forgotten that he had sworn to break the man's neck over his knees! In the very next room! And he had permitted him to go unharmed simply because his mind was full of a girl he would never see again after tomorrow. What was the rascal doing over here?

What had caused him to forsake the easy pluckings of Broadway in exchange for a dog's life on packet boats, in a squalid boarding house like this one, and in dismal billiard halls? Wire rapper, racing tout, stool pigeon, a cheater at cards, blackmailer and trafficker in baser things; in the next room, and he had let him go unharmed. Ten years ago and thirteen thousand miles away. In the next room. He laughed unpleasantly. Chivalric fool.

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Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.

Sectarian Issues to the Front—Decline of Dairy Business—Western Transportation Problems—Money for Slaughtered Cattle—Sawyer of Ware.

Boston, March 8.—First of the matters of general popular interest during the week has been the great Catholic demonstration in opposition to the proposed sectarian amendment to the constitution to prevent the appropriation of public money for institutions controlled by sectarian influences. For the first time in the history of Massachusetts, probably, the Catholics came out as Catholics and took ground against the amendment, saying that it was an attack upon them. They had the support of just one Protestant, Rev. Dr. Adolph A. Berle, professor of applied Christianity in Tufts College, and before that, for many years, a prominent minister in Brighton and Salem. The Catholics protested that there was already sufficient constitutional obstacle to the payment of public money to parochial schools, which is the real subject in the minds of the Protestant ministers and others who are agitating for the amendment. What made the Catholic demonstration all the more remarkable was that it followed a large attendance and display of much interest when the affirmative of the proposition was presented two days previously. There were present at the Catholic hearing more than were present at the woman suffrage hearing, for not only was the largest committee room crowded to overflowing, but the adjacent corridor was also thronged. These persons were men, and they were a very well dressed and fine appearing body of men, too, for a state-house gathering. This issue stirs up intense feeling on both sides, more than any other subject at the state-house. There is a continuation of the general theme in to-day's hearing upon the petitions for the appointment of a commission for inspection of charitable institutions. There is a packed committee room, for the proposition is to learn what is inside of institutions which are under Catholic control. This is another indication of the suspicion and the desire to get at the inside of the Catholic institution which has been a feature of the present religious agitation.

But there is a feeling on the part of some Protestants of much public experience and familiarity with the situation that it would be very unwise to press this agitation on sectarian lines. It does not tend for the public welfare, in their opinion. It certainly causes the solidifying of all the Catholic forces in the state against the Protestant. It does not help either cause, but it only provokes bitter antagonisms. It is felt that if partisanship is not stirred up there will be a mellowing of feeling, a charity, an influence of the free political institutions of the United States upon the mind which will surely produce changes in line with our principles that religious freedom must be maintained, and that there must be a complete separation of church and state. If the Protestant agitators felt sure that this point were secure, they would lose most of their impetus. On the other hand, if the Catholics felt sure that there was to be full religious belief and no interference with their development, they would not become as antagonistic toward the Protestant element in the state as they certainly will if this agitation is pressed. This is one of the most important and most discussed matters before the Legislature this session.

To-day, for the second time within a week, there has been another strong manifestation of the strength of the religious feeling. It occurred over the

proposition for the appointment of a commission to investigate the different religious institutions, and nunneries, convents, and the like were named. Of course that brought out another Catholic protest and the committee room was packed to its utmost capacity, and many more would have entered had there been room. Of course all these demonstrations tend to make partisan feeling and do not tend to promote the amalgamation of the different classes in the state.

Gov. Walsh sent to the Legislature to-day a message calling attention to the marked decline in the dairy business in this state. Within 25 years there has been such a drop in the number of cows that the number is to-day only one cow for every 22 inhabitants, against one for every 11 only 25 years ago. One-quarter of that decline has occurred within two years. The governor, in his message, proposes that a special commission be appointed to investigate the matter and see if our legislation has had the effect of doing injustice to either the milk producers or the consumers. In connection with this, there may be mentioned the comments of one of the best informed milk observers in the state. He says that the Boston Chamber of Commerce has just made an investigation which has covered eight months, and that there has not yet been sufficient time to digest it. He is quite sure, furthermore, that the governor is being worked upon by some special influence, and he gives the caution that the figures upon which the governor relies ought not to be accepted until they can be verified. There is no denying that the governor makes out a very sensational case and one well deserving the attention of the Legislature if his facts represent the situation as it really exists. The problem bears closely upon the cost of living for the mass of the people, as well as upon the prosperity of the milk producers. It is quite possible, too, that there is a political bearing on of the matter. If the cultivation of the farmer vote by the governor were to result in as reciprocal feeling by them toward him as he shows them, their attitude might be decisive in a close campaign where the A. P. A. influence would be relied upon to drive many Republicans to vote for Walsh. It looks more and more as if the governor would be a candidate for a third term, and a religious campaign would do much to solidify the Catholic element beyond possibility of any split and to stir them up to intense activity.

Western Massachusetts people are not united upon their policy regarding transportation. When bills are up for development of the system of state highways, they come down here in large number and with a strong demonstration of respectability and social and business position and argue that they must have state highways for the development of the rural portion of the state. But when the trolley bill of Representatives Mather of Northampton and Lyman of Easthampton was up for hearing, another sort of delegation came down, and it was a strong and respectable one, too, and said that rail transportation of some sort was the only kind which would meet the emergency. They said that state roads were well enough to bring in business to the rail lines, but that they ought to have trolley or steam lines for quick connection of the hill towns with the outside world. This division is of a sort which makes it hard for the uninformed members of the Legislature to decide which is really the best solution of the problem. It is evident that private capital will not build railroads or trolley lines. The bill of Messrs. Mather and Lyman provided for state ownership

and possibly state operation. But no report has been made yet.

Under suspension of the rules the appropriation of \$150,000 for compensation of owners of cattle killed for foot and mouth disease has been put through all stages, in place of the appropriation of \$100,000 which the governor vetoed. According to latest information the second outbreak is about two-thirds as severe as the first one, and all of the \$150,000 will very likely be needed.

Rev. Roland D. Sawyer of Ware, member of the House, is a very frequent speaker, but usually he does not get many votes for his propositions. He is very much of a radical in his political positions, and it is not strange that he has been in the Socialist party, though he is now in the Democratic. Monday afternoon he was successful in his bill aimed against druggists' liquor licenses, providing for an annual expression of the people regarding the policy of giving them licenses. Though he got the favorable vote of 52 to 35, yet it was so small compared with the total membership and the bill has so much further to go that it is not to be expected that it will survive.

LONDON.

BRIMFIELD.

Mrs. DeForest entertained her sister, Mrs. White of Springfield, over the week-end.

Young people of Brimfield and Warren had a dancing party in the town hall Saturday evening.

The Woman's Missionary Society held its regular monthly meeting at the parsonage last Friday afternoon.

Dr. R. V. Sawin and son Robert, who have been confined to the house for the past week with the grip, are able to be about.

Rev. W. A. Estabrook preached in the East Brimfield church last Sunday afternoon as a substitute for Rev. Mr. White of Sturbridge.

Rhetorical exercises were held in the Hitchcock Free Academy last Friday afternoon, and the recitations related to the life of Abraham Lincoln.

The second session of folk dancing for the girls of the Hitchcock Free Academy was held in the town hall Tuesday afternoon. Miss Elizabeth Shanley presided at the piano and Mrs. Kenney and Miss Prescott were the instructors.

The State Board of Agriculture held a farmers' institute in the town hall Friday under the auspices of the Worcester South Agricultural Society. Herman T. Hyde of Southbridge, president of the society, and Secretary George H. Clemence, also of Southbridge, were present at the meeting. The morning session was devoted to the discussion of the breeding and care of the dairy herd. H. O. Daniels of Middletown, Ct., was the principal speaker in the afternoon and talked upon crop rotation on the dairy farm. The meeting was a very interesting one and of much profit to the farmers.

An interesting meeting of the Brimfield Equal Suffrage League was held last Thursday evening. Mrs. Orus E. Parker presented the subject of the work of the women outside the home. She claimed that the home should be the center of a woman's interests, but that they were not confined to the four walls of her home. She cited different lines of service which have been established and recently carried out by women. Two of the speakers were unable to be present. Mrs. Robert W. Lewis gave a report of the recent lecture by Rose Livingston in Springfield. The announcement was made that Rev. Dr. Neal McPherson of Springfield will give one of his lectures here in April, and the subject chosen is "Jean Valjean and the Social Octopus."

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WITH the present chaotic situation down in Mexico and the sinking of an American vessel by a German cruiser, President Wilson is rather "between the Devil and the deep sea," so to speak.

WHILE a German submarine attacked a British hospital ship some time ago "by mistake," it is to be noted that no error of judgment has been made in shooting up any vessel carrying the stars and stripes. It may have just "happened" that way, but it is also wholly possible that mistakes of that kind are carefully guarded against.

TO-MORROW is the 27th anniversary of the big blizzard of 1888, and the weather indications do not contain any suggestions that we are to have another such visitation. But then, neither did the morning of the day 27 years ago. The possibilities of New England weather are practically limitless, and it's never safe to make predictions as to what will or will not happen.

THE Cunard liner Lusitania, sailing from New York February 27 in the first days of the German war zone establishment, reached the other side unmolested on Saturday. The captain announced on leaving that he'd fly the British flag "from Hell to breakfast" if necessary, and on landing stated that the British flag had flown all the way. It is hoped that his early remark had nothing of a local application.

THE deliberate sinking of an American ship, under an American captain, carrying a neutral cargo to neutral consignor, by a German cruiser, as told in the news dispatches of yesterday, seems to be fraught with all the possibilities of serious complications. But, having succeeded in steering a safe course thus far in the big war matter, it is good guessing that President Wilson will take plenty of time and get all the facts before he makes any demands which we may have to back up emphatically later. It's a consummation devoutly to be wished.

THERE will be a large measure of public approval of the effort to get the state to improve the surface of the highway from the Ware line toward Palmer. This section is much traveled and was never in anything like good shape. Moreover, 90 per cent of the travel over it is by non-residents. Among these is a heavy auto truck which makes daily trips at fast speed, tearing up the surface in horrible manner. If the state improvement comes, this vehicle will need be reckoned with in laying a foundation, or the last state of that road will be fully as bad as the first.

LET a railroad accident occur in the States, killing even a dozen people, and the papers are full of editorials on the catastrophe. But not a word has been printed outside the bare facts—and there were mighty few of those—about a train wreck in Mexico which killed over 600, a train of more than 20 cars, packed with the families of soldiers, running away backward down a steep grade. It happened in January, and meagre information reached Boston only the first of the week. Are they too far away to care? or thought too insignificant to notice? or are other matters too important?—or what?

THE seriousness of the second outbreak of the dreaded foot and mouth disease in the state is evidenced by the decision to give up the annual Farmers' Week, scheduled to begin next Monday at the agricultural college in Amherst, because of the certainty that among the attendants would be many who have had the disease on their farms. There are now 64 towns in the state under quarantine because of the prevalence of the disease. The discovery of a case in a human being in Worcester indicates the possibilities unless great care is taken, and the unknown manner in which the disease has appeared in some places makes any precaution against its spread advisable.

BEFORE anything is done in the matter of reducing letter postage to one cent—which we admit would be grand—it might be a good plan to pay a little attention to improving the service, which has been a vast deal poorer of late than there has been any need for. And we're speaking now simply

of first-class matter—letter postage. With the need for economy so urgent that the service must needs suffer by the curtailment of needed help, it's a poor time to talk of cutting down the income. The business man prefers to pay his two cents per letter and have it go through with accuracy and in proper time, rather than save half the price and have the present inaccuracies and delays increased.

PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

Miss Emma Mulvihill has returned with latest New York designs in dressmaking. Nice Dry Hair Wood, any length, delivered to order. Phone William C. Moulton, 129-2, Monson.

Missed a Good Thing.

Members of the Palmer Woman's Club who failed to attend the meeting last Saturday afternoon missed a rare treat. The speaker was Mr. Albert Morgan of Hartford, and his subject, "Lure of Field and Wood." Mr. Morgan brought a stereopticon with which to exhibit his photographs of birds and their nests, which proved unusually interesting. Some of the photographs were most remarkable, taken at a close range which must have called for a vast deal of ingenuity and patience. The colorings of his bird pictures were remarkably true to life, and the whole affair was one long to be most pleasantly remembered by all present. Mr. Morgan also showed some wonderful photographs of lightning flashes and of moonlight scenes.

A Live Insurance Agency.

The insurance firm of Ezekiel & Dexter, whose announcement is to be found in our advertising columns and of which George Ezekiel of North Main street is a member, is given credit in the January number of the "Co-ordinator," the monthly publication of the Massachusetts Bonding and Insurance Company, with having built up within the very short time in which the agency has been in existence, the largest agency of the company in New England; and it is still growing. Neither member is new at the insurance business, but the combination was effected only about two years ago. The company maintains offices in both Palmer and Springfield, and handles all kinds of fire and liability insurance, bonds for town officers, etc.

Pictures of Mary Pickford.

Manager Babcock of the opera house has arranged to give a picture of Mary Pickford, the most famous motion picture actress, to every patron of the opera house this evening. The pictures are of an unusually high grade, are 10½ by 14 inches in size, in a beautiful sepia tint.

Monday of next week will be shown a four-reel Paramount all-star feature, "Tess of the Storm Country," in which Miss Pickford plays the leading part. The feature Tuesday will be Zudora in the \$20,000,000 Mystery. Thursday the new serial, "Runaway June," will commence, and will be shown each Thursday evening.

Silver Coins Found.

Otto R. F. Smith, living on the Thorndike road, discovered a small silver mine a few days ago, when he came upon 19 old-fashioned silver three-cent pieces which had been given him years ago by his grandfather when these coins were numerous and in daily circulation, but which had become mislaid and overlooked. They are rather scarce now, and while the face value is not large, they are very likely worth more than par by reason of their present scarcity.

Miss Emma Mulvihill has returned from attending the dressmaking openings in New York city.

Miss Agnes Mahoney has resumed her duties as teacher of the eighth grade, after a long illness.

Revere chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, will meet next Wednesday evening. There will be balloting and refreshments.

Miss Claire O'Connor and Miss Agnes Mahoney of Holyoke spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Duffy and family of South Main street.

Palmer Grange will hold a regular meeting to-morrow evening. Thirteen candidates will be initiated, and the meeting will open at 7.30 instead of 8 o'clock.

The Heweha Campfire Girls met last week at the home of Luella Thayer in Thorndike. The evening was spent for the most part working on the "Count," or record book. The girls also made plans for a hike to Monson next Saturday afternoon.

Mary Tracy, 31, wife of George Tracy, died Tuesday evening at the Wing Memorial Hospital. She leaves a husband, a father, John Houlihan of Ware, four sisters and three brothers. The funeral will be from St. Thomas' church to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock, with burial in St. William's cemetery in Ware.

The Flynt Building and Construction Company will begin work next Monday on an addition of 30 feet to the rear of the Woodmont Garage on Thorndike street, to afford room for the company's machine shop and give that much more space in the garage proper.

Supper, Sale, Entertainment.

Annual Event of Congregational Church Extends Over Two Days.

The ladies of the Congregational church held their annual March sale and supper in the church Tuesday and Wednesday. The sale began Tuesday afternoon, continuing through the evening and yesterday afternoon and last evening. Prettily trimmed booths for the sale of various articles were erected in the parlors, and were presided over as follows: Fancy articles, Mrs. B. J. Whittemore, Mrs. Theodore Norman, Mrs. George Ezekiel, Miss Blanche LeGro; aprons, Mrs. W. F. Fillmore; parcel post, Mrs. W. C. Hitchcock; ice cream, Mrs. Charles Fillmore; candy, Mrs. Harry Richards, Mrs. H. L. Jones. A Victrola, furnished through the kindness of Mr. Wass. of S. H. Hellyar's store, entertained visitors with choice selections.

At 6.30 Tuesday evening a supper was served, the menu consisting of cold meats, escalloped potatoes, salad, rolls, coffee, cake and pie. It was attended by an unusually large number and was thoroughly enjoyed. The supper was in charge of Mrs. L. E. Chandler. Mrs. F. H. Lee is the president of the society.

Last evening there was an entertainment, in charge of Mrs. Eric Allen. The program included a piano duet by Misses Blanche and Irene LeGro, vocal solo by Theodore Norman, piano trio by Miss LeGro, Mrs. B. J. Whittemore and Mrs. S. R. Carsley, vocal solo by Mrs. Lucy Flynt with violin obligato by Rufus Flynt, piano duet by Mrs. Carsley and Mrs. V. C. Faunce, and an enactment of the nursery story of "The Three Bears," including the Big Bear, the Mother Bear, the Littlest Bear, and Goldilocks, the parts being admirably well taken by R. E. Cummings, Miss Marjorie Buck, Little Sidney Richards, and Miss Hattie Flynt.

Charged With Assault.

The only important case before the district court this week was that of John Gumalo of Wilbraham Tuesday morning, the charge being one of assault on Karoline Heretzy in Wesson street last Saturday. Gumalo conducts a store and takes lodgers, of whom Miss Heretzy was one. She had loaned Gumalo money to the amount of \$65, and had been paid back a part of it in cash and room rent. Last Saturday she asked him for \$5 of the balance of \$22. Gumalo told her to leave the house and took her trunk out, but she carried it back with the aid of a girl friend. Gumalo paid the \$22 due, and the case was continued from day to day.

Miss Mary Roche has returned from the millinery openings in Boston and New York.

The Woman's Tuesday Club will meet next Tuesday with Mrs. S. H. Hellyar of Squier street.

The interior of Thompson's market in the Nassawanno block is being materially improved by a coat of fresh paint.

Jesse Lever, recently employed at the Monson State Hospital, has taken a position as clerk in the grocery store of E. B. Taylor.

All the members of Division 15, A. O. H., will receive holy communion in a body in St. Mary's church in Thorndike Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. Mary Nelson has returned to her home in Tenneyville from the Wing Memorial Hospital, where she has been under treatment for several weeks.

Another of the series of cartoons, "Get the Hook," will be found on the last page of to-night's paper. This is the first of a series which will appear each week for the present.

Manager C. H. Babcock of the opera house has been engaged by the owner of the Roderick motion picture place in Monson to manage that place of amusement, and shows will be given there on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings.

Manager C. W. Chamberlin of the telephone office was called to Concord, N. H., on Tuesday by the illness of a relative.

Walter Worth, who for several months has been employed in Southport, Ct., has returned to his former position as foreman of the fine wire department of the Wright Wire Company's mill.

The Palmer Ministerial Association announces that last Sunday's observance of "Come-to-Church" Sunday produced good results. The services will continue next Sunday, when the young people will invite and welcome the people. The success of this "Come-to-Church" campaign depends on the amount of work the people put into it, so those who would achieve success must function in efficiency.

Among the Palmer residents who have been attending the automobile show in Boston this week are: Mr. and Mrs. George Ezekiel of North Main street, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rathbone, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Waid of King street, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Stone and Charles K. Stone of Squier street and Mrs. Harold W. Brainerd of King street, O. W. Marcy of Pine street, E. B. Taylor of Thorndike street, Mrs. Rufus Flynt of Walnut street.

Mrs. E. B. Taylor of Thorndike street has been spending the week with her son in Boston.

Mrs. Charles H. Burns and children spent last week at their cottage at Pleasure Beach, Ct., returning Saturday.

Mrs. John Gibbons of Patterson, N. J., has been a guest a part of the week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Dillon of Central street.

Timothy Sullivan has broken ground for the garage which he is to build on North Main street. The building will be of brick and steel, 44 by 68 feet.

Rev. J. E. Enman, pastor of the Congregational church of Thorndike, has been engaged by L. L. Merriek post, G. A. R., as Memorial Day speaker.

At the communion service in the Congregational church Sunday morning nineteen persons were added to the church membership, the larger portion of them on profession of faith.

William McGrath, despatcher for the street railway company, who has been in the House of Providence Hospital in Holyoke with appendicitis, returned to his home here on Sunday.

A special meeting of Hampden Royal Arch chapter of Masons, called for this evening, has been postponed until Saturday evening, when the work will be the Mark degree. There will also be a special meeting Monday evening, the 22d.

Word has been received of the death in Waltham on Tuesday of Mrs. Charles Bruce, who will be remembered by many as Miss Georgia Nelson of South Main street, a soprano singer who sang in church choirs in this vicinity for some time before her removal from town.

Mrs. Lucy Flynt is to close her house on Central street and will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Rafter, in Swampscott. S. H. Sayles, superintendent of the street railway, is to move about April 1st from the Hitchcock house on Converse street to the upper flat in the Flynt house.

Invitations have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. McGregory of Hamilton, N. Y., to the marriage of their daughter, Ethel, to James Edward Boyer on the evening of Saturday, the 27th, at their home in Hamilton. Mr. and Mrs. McGregory were formerly well-known residents of Palmer.

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Cheney and a party of friends will leave next Tuesday for California via New Orleans. Dr. Cheney leaves his practice with Dr. A. A. Starbuck of Springfield, who will keep the present office hours and be on call at his home. The party will be gone for one month, leaving Dr. Cheney at Chicago, where he will spend some time at the surgical clinics of Dr. Murphy, and Mayo's clinics at Rochester, Minnesota.

Fixing Up an Election.

A curious incident once occurred at Patton at an election for parliament. Sir Mark Wood, who had been one of its members for several years, had as his colleague in the parliament of 1812 Sir William Congreve, the inventor of the famous "Congreve rocket." The latter resigned in 1816, and the baronet wished his own son to fill the vacancy. There were only three voters in the constituency—Sir Mark, his son and his butler, named Jennings—but as the son was away and the butler had quarreled with his master an opportunity was afforded for a singular revenge. Jennings refused to second Sir Mark's nomination of his son and proposed himself, and a deadlock was averted only by Sir Mark coming to terms with the refractory butler, whose nomination he seconded in order to induce him to act as a seconder to his son. Matters being thus put formally in train, Sir Mark arranged with Jennings that the former's vote should be alone given, and the final state of the poll at Patton's only known contest stood thus: Wood (Tory), 1; Jennings (Whig), 0.—Westminster Gazette.

Snow Ice Cream.

Snow ice cream—what a joy it used to be to the child heart! Mother used to make it when she had been importuned to "dis let us have one more cupful, mom." The youth of today, perhaps, does not need that joy, with everything so handy for buying "store" ice cream. But never can such makeshift take away the memory of the earlier dish. It was so easy to make too. Nature kindly furnished the foundation, and all that was necessary was to add sugar and milk. When a new fall of snow came the children watched anxiously until it became deep enough to scoop up cupfuls of the crystals. Then it was carried to mother and milk poured in and more snow added, and then more milk poured in and more snow added, until there was a full cupful. Sugar was added until the taste was just right and the mixture was placed out of doors until it had become a half frozen mass, and there was the ice cream!—Indianapolis News.

A Conundrum.

What is that which has a mouth but never speaks and a bed but never sleeps in it? A river.

Unfitting Medium.

"Can't you play that round any better?" "Not on a square piano."—Exchange.

Enough Is Plenty.

Most of us should be well satisfied if we haven't enough troubles to keep us awake.—Albany Journal.

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Mass.

Card—The Woman's Relief Corps desires to express its sincere thanks to all who assisted in the Washington Birthday celebration. Palmer, March 10.

Resolutions.

Whereas, Almighty God has called to Him our beloved brother, William Rivest, and death hath taken him from our midst: Whereas, we cannot comprehend the ways of Providence or fully realize that our brother who was with us is no more: Resolved, that in the death of Brother Rivest, our Hampton has lost a most earnest and faithful member.

Resolved, that we extend to his wife, our sincere sympathy in this, her sad hour of affliction, that these resolutions be spread on the minutes of our next meeting and that a copy of same be forwarded to the wife of our deceased brother, also that our charter be draped for thirty days.

(George Fortune,) Committee
Michael E. Keefe,)
Thomas F. Dohahue,) Resolutions.
Court Hampton No. 75, F. of A., Thorndike, Mass.

DIED.

In Palmer, 4th, Mrs. Ella G. Parker, 67.
In Palmer, 8th, Mrs. Mary Tracy, 31.
In Thorndike, 3d, William Rivers, 24.
In Monson, 8th, Mrs. Ella E. Laid, 36.
In East Brimfield, 3d, Anthony Mansell, 83.
In Ware, 7th, Mrs. Mary Fox, 64.

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Slipshod English.

Here are some specimens of very common errors:

Admit for confess. To admit is to concede something affirmed. An unaccused offender cannot admit his guilt.

Adopt. "He adopted a disguise." One may adopt a child or an opinion, but a disguise is assumed.

Aggravate for irritate. "He aggravated me by his insolence." To aggravate is to augment the disagreeableness of something already disagreeable or the badness of something bad. But a person cannot be aggravated, even if disagreeable or bad.

All of. "He gave all of his property." The words are contradictory. An entire thing cannot be of itself. Omit the preposition.

At for by. "She was shocked at his conduct." This very common solecism is without excuse.—Exchange.

Trenches in War.

The late British general Sir William Butler in the course of an article that appeared in a military magazine nearly forty years ago thus spoke his mind about the use of trenches in time of war: "The spade may be nearly as dangerous to the army that uses it as to the one that neglects it. Like everything else, it is good in its way. That way is given a long way, but its end can be reached. If the infantry soldier gets thoroughly convinced that in the sheltered trench he has hopes of safety he will doubtless be a hard man to drive out of these trenches. But it may also be a difficult matter to drive him on from them to the front. Digging may save a battle from being lost, but it has never won a decisive victory, and it probably never will."—Manchester Guardian.

How Red Herring Came.

The first red herring was accidentally produced in England many years ago by a fisherman who, having a surplus of fresh herring, hung them up in a smoky shed to dry and then forgot all about them. When he looked at them some time after he found that they had changed in color. The king, to whom the fishes were presented, was so interested that he gave permission to the fisherman to exhibit them around the country as strange monsters.—London Express.

Of Course.

"Daughter sends you 1,000 kisses and wants 100 in return."

"A hundred kisses?"

"Don't be absurd, John—a hundred dollars, of course."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

Charlotte Talmadge, '17, is absent from school on account of illness.

Dorothy Buck, '15, spent most of the vacation with New Haven relatives.

The pupils resumed their studies Monday morning after a vacation of a week.

The March list of pupils for graduation was posted on the bulletin board to-day.

The report cards with the ranks for January have been distributed among the pupils.

Miss Nicholas, the French and German teacher, spent part of her vacation with Springfield friends.

Principal Hurley has mailed the mid-year examination marks in all studies to the parents of the pupils.

Fire drill was held Monday morning. The pupils bettered their previous record by five seconds. The time was 35 seconds.

Henry Johnson, a special, who has been absent from school for some time on account of severe illness, is able to be out again.

The girls held their regular basketball practice Monday and Wednesday afternoons in Cercle Canadien Hall, Three Rivers.

Edwin Keefe entertained the Senior English class for ten minutes recently with a talk on "The Problem of the Unemployed."

The social committee of the Junior class meets this afternoon to make plans for the annual Junior promenade, to take place in a few weeks.

The Seniors held a food sale at recess this morning for the benefit of the Washington trip fund. These weekly food sales are adding considerably to the treasury.

Raymond Tucker, '16, has had a perfect record in spelling since Dec. 1, 1914. Rose Riddle, '15, has missed but one word in spelling since school began last September.

The February monthly spelling test was given to the Senior English class last Tuesday. Only three, Misses Barton and Shea and Mr. Lyon, obtained a rank of 100 per cent.

"The school paper, 'The Palmer,' will be ready for distribution next week. This number is interesting in all departments, has three pictures, the usual number of cuts, and bids fair to be one of the best numbers of the year. As the demand greatly exceeded the supply last issue, a larger number will be printed this month.

There will be a basketball game in Union Hall, Thorndike, to-morrow evening between the High School and the Three Rivers team. Palmer High's first game of the season resulted in a defeat for Three Rivers. The game to-morrow will undoubtedly be close and interesting. There will be a return game next week.

The next debate will be on Friday afternoon of next week. The question will be: "Resolved: That Immigration Should be Still Further Restricted by Law." The affirmative will be in charge of Edwin Keefe '15 and Dorothy Buck '15; William Monroe P. G. and Alice Smith '16 will be for the negative.

Almost all of the Sophomores have chosen pieces and coaches for the prize speaking contest to be held the latter part of April. The contest bids fair to be close and interesting this year. There is, perhaps, as much interest and enthusiasm displayed by the pupils and townspeople in this contest as in any school event of the year, excepting graduation exercises.

The required number of contestants have decided to take part in the prize essay contest being conducted by the Independent. Those who have signified their intention so far of competing for the medal are: Isabel Hall '16, Raymond Holden '15, Roger Holden '15, Helen Newbury '16, Dennis Horgan '17, Fred Davis '18, Myrtle McVickar '16, Katherine Slowick '15, John Healey '15, Rubie Jones '15.

At a meeting of the Seniors Tuesday morning a letter was read from Mrs. J. F. Davis of Thorndike, thanking the class for flowers sent recently to Miss Marion Davis '15, who has been absent for some time and who was recently operated on for appendicitis at the Wing Memorial Hospital. A committee consisting of Wesley Magee, Dorothy Buck and Ellen Sayles was elected as a flower committee for the class.

The singing classes are working earnestly on the cantata, "The Building of the ship," which is to be given in the Athletic Association concert, and are gradually becoming quite proficient in the singing of the difficult work. Miss Cantwell is planning to have less outside help and more students take part in this year's concert. There are some very promising soloists in the school.

The Remington award test in typewriting are ten-minute tests once a month on matter furnished by the Remington company, with not more than fifteen errors allowed. The results of the February tests are: Rubie Jones '15, and Mary Sullivan P. G., passed the 55-word test, writing respectively 68 and 65 words net a minute. Miss Jones wrote in all 749 words with 14 errors, Miss Sullivan 715 words with

14 errors. Gold medals have been engraved for the girls and are now in their possession. Leona Steele, '15, passed the 40-word or efficiency test, writing 45 words net a minute, and has received an efficiency card and card case. Gladys Christiansen, who began typewriting this year, passed the 25-word test, writing 30 words net a minute, and has received a pennant.

Value of Business Training.

Original Essay by Katherine Slowick, a High School Commercial Senior.

Many an ambitious student, as he dreamily gazes on the far horizon thinking of his future career, or sitting in a comfortable armchair imagining what his work in an office will be, sees himself moving in an interesting atmosphere. His whole mind seems to be centered on taking dictation and transcribing, all day long.

Alas! If the duties of a stenographer were no greater—if the stenographer's battles were so easily won! But no, it is but an unprepared student's idle reverie. For in addition to shorthand and typewriting, there are numerous minor requisites which, though small, cause the struggle for success to be much greater.

To prevent the stenographers from being handicapped in this way, a course of business training is taught in most schools to all who are about to equip themselves for a position in an office. This course prepares the average stenographer for all emergencies—to face the bright and the dark side of the business world.

It teaches him to strive for self-control—to create a good impression—to have about himself an air of cleanliness, neatness, and dignity in speech and manner. It enables him to understand the busy life of his employer, and that he must not be surprised or hurt when the "boss" of his dreams frowns or speaks harshly.

It teaches him to appreciate the value of his employer's time and that he is not to idle or gossip during business hours. It teaches him to be considerate and not to inquire about unimportant details. It helps him to realize that accuracy, thoroughness, orderliness, and efficiency in all undertakings are indispensable in business.

It teaches him to be all "ears" and "eyes" to the instructions of his employer, and that he must not resent criticisms or corrections. It teaches him to be enthusiastic about his work and to concentrate his mind on what he is doing.

It teaches him to be loyal to his employer and to his business by depositing, in a crevice in the wall, the doings of the office. It enables him to realize that his chances for advancement are based on whatever initiative, tact and executive ability he may possess.

And last, yet not least, he is cautioned against procrastination, the greatest enemy to success. Then when each stenographer completes the course and is launched on the stenographic battlefield, he will be able to press onward to success.

HOLLAND.

John F. Hebard has opened a grocery store in town.

The T. G. Needlework Club met with Mrs. L. C. Howlett Tuesday.

A. J. Bagley, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is slowly improving.

Elaine De Sellem, Famous Contralto With Boston English Opera Company, Gives Warning to Vocal Students.

There are few people in the country to-day more qualified from a standpoint of experience to advise vocal students, particularly girls with operatic aspirations, than Elaine De Sellem, the leading contralto of the Boston English Opera Company which comes to the Court Square Theatre, Springfield, next Wednesday, matinee and evening, in a magnificent production of Verdi's famous opera, "Il Trovatore." Miss De Sellem says: "I have been requested to explain why, with so many engaged in vocal study, so few attain anything like success. Studios are filled with aspirants who spend time and money, to say nothing of nervous energy, in striving for the artistic goal, and the question arises why so few succeed. I'll tell you in one sentence—Not ten per cent of students have any just reason for aspiring to vocal eminence, and ten per cent is a liberal estimate. And here is another reason: It may seem brutal, but it is a deplorable fact, not 25 per cent of those who give vocal instruction are qualified to teach the art correctly. There is more chicanery and humbug in voice teaching than in all other departments of the profession combined. You can make a singer believe almost anything if you flatter and cajole. Students, to flatter their vanity, are given songs and operatic excerpts, when they cannot sing five tones of the scale with even production and uniform vocal color. They are put upon recital programs to interpret music they can neither vocalize nor interpret. They will tackle anything—the higher it goes the better,—and whose fault is it that these poor deluded aspirants are led through impassable paths and interminable windings to find ultimately that their labor has been in vain and their hopes blasted, to say nothing of the money uselessly spent. The fault lies with the incompetent and unscrupulous teacher."

Sporting News.

BASKETBALL.

Palmer Railway Men Defeated.

The Ware and Brookfield Street Railway team defeated the team from the Springfield and Eastern line last Friday night in Thorndike, 24 to 13. Line-up:

Ware & Brookfield. Springfield & Eastern.
Riley, 11. r. b. Edmunds
O'Brien, r. f. l. b. Cornish
Frew, Jarvis, c. c. Handlett
Barrett, 1 b. r. f. Farrell, Donahue
Grise, r. b. l. f. Gleason
Score, Ware & Brookfield 24, Springfield & Eastern 13. Baskets from floor, Riley 8, Frew 3, Barrett, Gleason 3, Farrell 2, Donahue. Baskets on free try, Cornish. Referee, Brosnahan. Timers, Lohanue and Fleming. Time, 20-minute halves.

Monson Academy Wins From Turners.

Monson Academy took a fast game from the Turners of Springfield in Monson Friday afternoon, 44 to 27. The game was the fastest of the season and each team adopted a new style of play. Lowry and E. Wakefield featured for the visitors with unusually long shots. Inglehart, Martin and "Len" Squier were Monson's stars. Line-up:

Monson. Turners.
Leahy, Wenzel, Cushman, 11. r. b. Healey, Lowry
McCarthy, r. f. l. b. Leary, Healey
Inglehart, c. c. A. Wakefield
Martin, 1 b. r. f. E. Wakefield
Squier, r. b. l. f. Pridaiff
Score, Monson 44, Turners 27. Baskets from floor, Inglehart 8, Squier 6, McCarthy 3, Martin 3, Leahy, E. Wakefield 5, Healey 3, Lowry 3, A. Wakefield 2. Baskets from fouls, Martin 4, E. Wakefield. Referee, Amos Tagan. Time, 20-minute halves.

Ware Wins From Monson.

Ware had things largely their own way with Monson at Ware Friday night, winning 58 to 16. The home team was at its best in the last half, Montgomery caging the ball four times in the last minute and a half of play. Marsh, Montgomery and Brosnahan excelled for the home team, Faulkner and Hilliard for Monson. Line-up:

Ware. Monson.
Brosnahan, 11. r. b. Erickson
Cahill, Morris, Montgomery, r. f. l. b. Hillard, Faulkner
Marsh, c. c. Faulkner, Hilliard
McCarthy, 1 b. r. f. Cahill
Montgomery, W. McCann, r. b. l. f. Cahill
Score, Ware 58, Monson 16. Baskets from floor, Marsh 8, Montgomery 6, Brosnahan 6, Erickson, E. McCann 3, W. McCann 2, Morris, Faulkner 3, Giffin 2. Baskets from fouls, Giffin 4. Referee, Davis. Time, 20-minute halves.

Wilbraham Trims Monson Again.

Monson Academy went down to defeat before the Wilbraham Academy team for the second time this season at Wilbraham Monday afternoon, 30 to 21. Wilbraham led all the way. The work was excellent all around, there being no individual stars. In a preliminary the Monson Seconds won over the Wilbraham Seconds by one point, 15 to 14. The line-ups:

Wilbraham. Monson.
Breakspear, Chapin, 11. r. b. Squier
Green, r. f. l. b. Martin
Bolles, c. c. Inglehart
Meyer, Foster, 1 b. r. f. McCarthy, Wenzel
Warden, r. b. 11. Leahy, Cushman, McCarthy
Score, Wilbraham 30, Monson 21. Baskets from floor, Breakspear 4, Green 3, Leahy, Chapin 2, McCarthy 2, Bolles 2, Warden, Inglehart 2, Wenzel, Martin. Baskets from fouls, Bolles 6, Wenzel 4, Inglehart 2, Martin. Referee, Beighold. Umpire, Bell. Time, 20-minute halves.

Monson 2d.

Ralston, Cushman, Graham, 11. r. b. Ockahostle, Hinchliffe
Cande, Wenzel, r. f. l. b. Naylor
Johnson, Martin, c. c. Helms, Stephens
Gillet, 1 b. r. f. Hinchliffe, Chapin, Sessions
Harper, r. b. l. f. Wigglesworth
Score, Monson 15, Wilbraham 11. Baskets from floor, Johnson 4, Cande 2, Cushman, Warden, Naylor 2, Wigglesworth. Baskets from fouls, Cande, Wigglesworth, Chapin. Referee, Beighold. Umpire, Bell. Time, 20-minute halves.

Palmer High Loses Two Games.

Palmer High's basketball team met another defeat last Thursday evening in High School Hall, Ludlow, at the hands of Ludlow High. The game was close, but as a whole was not up to the standard. The players were slow and only scored six baskets in the entire game. Palmer was crippled by the loss of Captain Albro, the right forward. Burr and Walker did the best work for the victors, while Martin was the prize point-getter for the losers. Line-up:

Ludlow. Palmer.
Burr, 11. r. b. Magee, Brosnahan
Reeder, r. f. l. b. Keefe
Walker, c. c. Monat
Quimby, 1 b. r. f. Lyon, Magee
McIntosh, r. b. l. f. Martin
Score, Ludlow 11, Palmer 7. Baskets from floor, Burr 2, Walker 2, Keefe, Monat. Baskets on free tries, Rooney 3, Martin 3. Free tries missed, Rooney 6, Martin 3. Referee, Tichenor; timer, Daley. Time, 20-minute halves.

Palmer High was defeated again Saturday evening in Union Hall, Thorndike, at the hands of the Northampton quintet. The Northampton boys are the champions of the Valley League and out of Palmer's class, but in spite of this the local tilters held the visitors down to 45 points. The game was fast, both teams displaying considerable speed. Though the locals put up an excellent fight, the superior passing of the visitors easily gave them the victory. The first half ended with Northampton in the lead by 20 points, 27 to 7. During the second half the Palmer boys played a better game and the contest ended with a 45 to 18 score. Gleason featured for Northampton and Monat was Palmer's best tosser. The attendance was fairly large. The line-up:

Northampton. Palmer.
Slas, 11. r. b. Magee
Readie, r. f. l. b. Keefe
Dunn, c. c. Monat
Gleason, Szazama, 1 b. r. f. Martin
Huxley, r. b. l. f. Brosnahan, Lyon
Score, Northampton 45, Palmer 18. Baskets from floor, Slas 3, Readie 3, Dunn 3, Gleason 7, Huxley 3, Brosnahan 3, Martin 2, Monat 2. Baskets on free tries, Martin 2, Huxley. Free tries missed, Martin 3, Readie. Referee, Cahill; timer, R. Readie. Time, 15-minute halves.



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POOL.

Monson Wins From Palmer.

Monson defeated Palmer in the Purcell rooms in Monson Tuesday night, 422 to 393. The contest between Battles and Prince was the closest of the match. Score:

Monson.	Palmer.
Osborne, 75	Tait, 30
Neville, 62	McCarthy, 75
Blake, 61	Root, 75
Manning, 75	Hinchey, 22
Gleason, 75	Monahan, 30
Battles, 75	Prince, 71
Total, 422	Total, 393

BASEBALL.

There is a prospect that this vicinity will see some lively baseball this season if the plans to form a league which shall comprise Windsor Locks, Thompsonville, Indian Orchard, Ludlow, Bondsville and either Monson or Ware—six towns—goes through. It is understood that Bondsville enthusiasts have been approached and have expressed their willingness to "get in the game." If Monson does not care to enter a team there is little doubt but that Ware will be glad to put one in the field. With such a combination of clubs there should be plenty of good baseball this summer.

BELCHERTOWN.

A. E. Howard has sold his farm on Federal street to a Mr. Rowe of Vermont.

Mrs. Bert Eastman of Boston will spend the summer with her aunt, Mrs. Hattie Atkins.

Miss Marian Bridgman has been appointed census enumerator for Belchertown.

The Center and district schools are enjoying a four weeks' vacation instead of three weeks, as heretofore.

Union Grange is planning to give a supper in the near future to raise money to install electric lights in its hall.

After the first of April the following train service will be in force: Leave Belchertown 6.20, 8.1.05, 5. arrive in Boston 10.22, 10.45, 3.59, 8.10; leave Boston 8.07, 1.40, 4.53, 8.28.

William H. Shaw, 45, died at the home of his sister, Mrs. William Thompson, last Saturday morning. He is survived by four sisters, two of whom, Mrs. Kentfield and Mrs. Thompson, live here. The funeral was held Monday afternoon; burial was in South Center cemetery.

The selectmen have made the following appointments for the year: Chief of fire department, J. A. Peeso; superintendent of streets, E. F. Shumway; warden and matron at the town farm, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Shumway; care taker of the town clock, G. B. Jackson; visitor to the town farm, Mrs. William E. Bridgman. The care of the roads has been divided into sections.

WARREN.

A series of whist parties has been held in the basement of St. Paul's Catholic church during the past few weeks which has netted the society about \$670, which is to be applied to diminishing the debt of the church. Rev. John P. McCaughan came to Warren about seven years ago, and at that time services were being held in the basement of the church with the building unfinished and with a debt of \$21,000. Through his efforts the building was completed and at the present time amount of the debt is only about \$1400, which it is hoped will be cleared this year.

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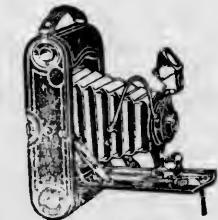
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THORNDIKE.

Death of William Rivers.

William Rivers, 24, died at his home on Church street Wednesday evening of last week after a short illness of pneumonia. The deceased was recording secretary of Court Hampden, Foresters of America, and was well known, having resided here for years. He is survived by a widow, three sisters, Mrs. William Nevue, Mrs. William Fogarty, Mrs. Henry Nevue, and two brothers, Frank and Thomas Rivers. The funeral was held Saturday morning from St. Anne's church in Three Rivers, with a mass of requiem by the pastor, Rev. Ladislav Geoffroy. The floral tributes were numerous, including set pieces from Court Hampden, F. of A., and shopmates. Court Hampden attended in a body. Burial was in St. Anne's cemetery. The bearers were members of the Foresters of America.

Mrs. Camille Perrault is on the sick list.

Mrs. Dryden of Pine avenue is quite ill at her home.

Miss Agnes Sullivan is ill at the home of her parents.

Mrs. Daniel Ahern is a patient in the House of Providence Hospital, Holyoke.

Mrs. Margaret Stone, an old and respected resident, is seriously ill at the home of Mrs. Mary Keith in Palmer Center.

Miss Marion Davis returned to-day from the Wing Memorial Hospital, where she was operated upon for appendicitis.

Rev. Fr. Devine of St. Jerome's parish, Holyoke, was the speaker at Tuesday evening's Lenten sermon at St. Mary's church.

Mr. and Mrs. Barbier of Worcester were guests over Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Chabbot of Church street.

A brisk fire Tuesday afternoon on Pine avenue called out several persons, who were able to extinguish it before it did any great damage.

Tickets are selling well for the concert and whist party to be given at Union Hall March 17, under the auspices of St. Mary's parish.

The body of Alfred Lamerine, a former well-known resident of this town, was brought to Three Rivers from Lowell last week for burial in St. Anne's cemetery.

Many housewives from this place have been attending the demonstration of cooking given under the auspices of the Worcester Co. Gas Company at Palmer this week.

Next Sunday the young people invite those who wish to worship God in spirit and in truth to come to the Congregational church. In the morning the pastor will preach on "Young People Who Purpose to Realize Righteousness," and in the evening he will take for his subject, "Salvation by Character—the Need of the Hour." Sunday school meets at noon.

BONDSDVILLE.

Annual Fair Next Week.

The Ladies' Aid Society will hold its annual fair Thursday and Friday evenings of next week. There will be several booths at which articles useful and ornamental, also food and packages of mystery will be for sale. The fair will open Thursday at 3 o'clock; supper will be served from 5 until 8.

after which an entertainment consisting of songs, a drill, and a farce, "Waiting for the Trolley" will be given. Friday afternoon the fair will continue; a buffet lunch will be served, and an entertainment consisting of a trio, song, pantomimes and readings will be given. The booths will be in charge of the following: Fancy table, Mrs. E. J. Loy and Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.; apron table, Mrs. Charles Collis and Mrs. Frank Lamb; food and candy, Mrs. Charles D. Holden and Mrs. E. G. Childs; mystery, Mrs. W. H. Morse and Miss Yolande Marsan; lemonade booth, Misses Marion Albino, Irene Marsan and Abbie Pember; dining room, Mrs. T. C. Martin (chairman), Mrs. V. C. Faunce, Mrs. Charles Sharat, Mrs. Adelard Marsan, and Lawrence Martin; kitchen committee, Mrs. William Taylor, Mrs. Charles Banister, Mrs. Lucas Welsh, assisted by Charles Banister and E. J. Loy.

The entertainment programs:

Thursday Evening.

Indian Songs and Drill, by young ladies in Indian costumes.

Farce—"Waiting for the Trolley."

Terry O'Shea, who announces the cars.

Tom Sweet, who is eloping.

Wesley Magee Hiram Haskins, with two settlers of eggs.

Charles H. Banister Mr. Lovebird, Luella's irate father.

C. D. Holden Nervous Gentleman, with a grudge against the company.

W. H. Morse Hans Pepper, who has plenty of time.

Robert Hutton Percy, a big responsibility.

Willie McVickar Polly Pickles, the lunch counter girl.

Alice Banister Miss Sharp, who is bound to make trouble.

Mrs. C. D. Holden Luella Lovebird, helping Tom to elope.

Abbie Pember Bettle Suffragettes, but they love a lover.

Myrtle McVickar, Vertene Marsan, Marion Albino.

Mrs. George Gunn Womans Passenger, Percy's mother.

Miss Nettie McKendrick

Friday Evening.

Piano Trio.

Thelma Keith, Helen Newbury, Myrtle McVickar.

Vocal Solo.

John Lawrence Martin

Farce (in pantomime) "Mrs. Church and Her Daughters."

Mrs. T. C. Martin

Mrs. E. J. Loy

Mrs. C. D. Holden

Mrs. C. H. Banister

Mrs. V. C. Faunce

Mrs. E. J. Loy

Mrs. F. Gordon

Mrs. F. Lamb

Mrs. Charles Sharratt

Mrs. Bert Rose

Mrs. W. H. Morse

Mrs. J. Ashona

Mrs. Able men

Mrs. Chester Canterbury

Lon Lee Bachelder, a lonely bachelor.

John Buttin, the butler.

John Lawrence Martin

Miss Schoolmaker, a teacher.

Mrs. George Gunn

Miss Toothacher, a dentist.

Alice Banister

Miss Doeslinger, Myrtle McVickar

Miss Brush, an artist.

Marion Albino

Miss Hartwell, a flirt.

Vertene Marsan

Miss Mann, a suffragette.

Mrs. Fred Collis Jr.

Miss Young, a sentimental schoolgirl.

Irene Marsan

Mollie, her friend.

Yolande Marsan

Miss F. Ruffles, a society girl.

Gladys Morse

Mrs. Small, a shy little widow.

Violet Canterbury

Buster, her small son.

Lester Holden

Miss "Bobbie," some sport.

Ada Pember

Miss Marsden, a wealthy young lady and social worker.

Bernice Faunce

Group of Old Songs.

Chorus.

The public schools opened Monday after a week's vacation.

Mrs. Henry Hobson of Palmer was a guest Tuesday of Mrs. Anna Parent.

George W. Cummings of Pawtucket, R. I., spent Sunday with his family.

Miss Gladys Morse has returned from a visit with relatives in Belchertown.

Mrs. Charles Evans of Springfield was a guest Tuesday of Mrs. E. G. Childs.

Leslie Gunn returned Sunday from a visit with his uncle, Fred Jury of Springfield.

Mrs. William Hurst of Monson spent Sunday with her mother, Mrs. Emma Canterbury.

The Bondsville basketball team will go to Monson this evening to play the team there.

Miss Mary Manning of Springfield was a Sunday guest of her aunt, Miss Kate Quirk.

The Epworth League held a business meeting in the vestry of the church Friday evening.

Miss Bernice Faunce has returned from a visit with Miss Marion Anderson in Springfield.

Harry Pember of Groton, Ct., is visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Chapman.

Rev. T. C. Martin has been appointed one of the census enumerators in the town of Palmer.

Alfred Charron of Indian Orchard spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Charron.

The Ladies' Aid meeting will not be held next Wednesday, but will be postponed one week, owing to the fair.

The Western Star met Tuesday with Miss Eileen Loy. The next meeting will be with Miss Yolande Marsan.

Miss Emily Hayes of the Noble Hospital, Westfield, spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hayes.

Miss Annie Carney of Webster was a Sunday guest of William O'Connor at the home of his sister, Mrs. Daniel F. Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Austin entertained on Sunday Misses Mary and Margaret Sheehy and Annie Moriarty of Ware.

The meeting of the Sunday school board, which was to have been held Thursday evening has been indefinitely postponed.

Misses Helen Newbury of Palmer and Thelma Keith of Three Rivers were Sunday guests of Miss Myrtle McVickar.

James Fitzgerald, employed by the Ley Construction Co., was a guest this week of his mother, Mrs. Mary Fitzgerald.

Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald of Miltineague was the preacher at the Lenten services in St. Bartholomew's church Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Beauregard had as guests Sunday Mrs. J. J. Tefin of Hartford, Ct., and Mrs. Margaret Cohen of Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Waterhouse Sr. and son Edward of Springfield were guests Thursday of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Waterhouse Jr.

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Miss Catherine Mansfield of the Wesson Memorial Hospital in Springfield spent Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mansfield.

Michael Collins Jr. of New Bedford, employed by the Ley Construction Co., spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Collins.

Charles Billings returned the first of the week to his work in Ashfield after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Billings.

Miss Annie Mansfield has returned to her studies in the Fitchburg Normal School after spending a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mansfield.

Patrick Callahan of the Ley Construction Co., stationed in South Hadley, was a guest the first of the week of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Callahan.

At the Methodist church Sunday morning the second of the Go-to-Church Sundays will be observed.

The pastor, Rev. T. C. Martin, will have a special sermon for the women, although all are cordially invited to attend. In the evening at 7 o'clock the pastor will speak on the life and work of the late Fanny Crosby, who though blind, could see spiritual things. Songs by this famous writer will be used exclusively.

THREE RIVERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Darling are attending the auto show at Boston this week.

Miss Nellie Conroy has sold her household goods and has gone to live in Springfield.

Julius Spillane of Springfield street has scarlet fever, and the home is under quarantine.

Mrs. Harriet Bradley of Palmer was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles F. F. of Main street.

Mrs. Jeremiah Foley and Miss N. Cronin of West Warren were guests Friday of relatives in town.

Miss Grace Walsh has returned from her home in Westfield after spending the week's vacation there.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rice of Springfield street entertained his sister from Williamette the past week.

Mrs. A. Alden of Springfield was the week-end guest of Mrs. Herbert E. Willis of Springfield street.

Mrs. A. B. Cohen of Main street returned the last of the week from New York, where she visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Domey are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter the last of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold C. Parkhurst of Barker street were in Boston the first of the week attending the auto show.

Milton Willis of Springfield street entertained his cousin, Hayden Karcher of Springfield, at his home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Parkhurst of Athol street entertained his mother and father at their home the last of the week.

Mrs. Samuel Beauregard and daughter Catherine spent Saturday with her sister, Mrs. Albert Fenton of Bridge street.

Samuel Hartley has been substituting at the B. and A. station the past few days during the absence of the regular assistant.

Mrs. Gustave La Boutely of the Belchertown road spent the first of the week with her sister, Mrs. Albert Jenks in Springfield.

Mrs. William McCullough and Mrs. Albert Fenton visited Mr. and Mrs. William Gerald at their home in Springfield Sunday.

The regular meeting of the Ladies' Aid society will be held next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Refreshments will be served.

Mary, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William McCullough, has recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia and is able to be out.

Frank Rogers of Main street was taken to the hospital in Springfield Sunday, where he was operated on for appendicitis, and at last report was doing quite well.

School reopened Monday for the spring term. The night schools will also be resumed, having been omitted last week because the teachers were at their homes for the vacation.

A four-act drama entitled "A Fisherman's Luck," will be produced in the near future by a local cast under the direction of Fred W. Clark of Springfield for the benefit of the Three Rivers firemen.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Warfield of Front street went to Boston to attend the automobile show and spent a few days there. They were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Tabor of Thorndike.

The program for the Idle Hour moving picture palace will be: Thursday, "The Trex O'Hearts" in two reels, and "The Lion Tamer's Revenge" or "The Divine Appeal" in three reels; Saturday a two reel feature will be shown, with "The Exploits of Elaine" in two reels, the "Mutual Girl," one reel, and a reel of comedy. The celebrated "Passion Play" will be shown next Sunday, from 2:30 in the afternoon until 9.

IMPATIENCE.

Impatient people cheat themselves out of the best of things. We can almost have our choice between something good today and something better tomorrow. But the highest good never will be ours until we have learned to wait for it.

Dragoons.

Four centuries ago, when firearms were in their infancy, soldiers were named from the weapons they bore. Thus infantrymen were called "pike" or "shot," according to their weapons. The "dragon" was a short musket or carbine, and the soldiers who bore them were dragoons. The original dragoons were mounted infantrymen, being organized as infantry. On this account, being without cavalry training, they were decidedly poor horsemen, but they improved until they were classed as medium cavalry.—American Boy.

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Not Artistic Work.

Footlight—And was the performance artistic? Miss Sue Brette—No; the scenery and the leading lady were both badly painted.—Yonkers Statesman.

Too Much to Bear.

Friend—Why are you crying, Bobby? Bobby—Ma whipped me because my face was dirty and then washed it.—Judge.

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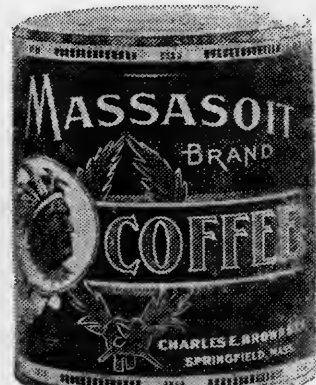
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Monson News.

Special Town Meeting Coming.

Permanent Roads and Memorial Hall Rent to be Among the Articles.

The selectmen will probably draw up the warrant for a special town meeting at their weekly business meeting to-night. Chief of interest among matters to be incorporated in the warrant will be articles relative to an appropriation for permanent road, and a ruling on the renting of the Town Hall to charitable organizations.

Through an oversight no appropriation was made for permanent road at the regular town meeting in February. Because of this Monson will receive no money from the state under the "Small towns" act this year unless a sum is appropriated at the special meeting. If an appropriation of \$1500 or \$2000 is made, in all probability a like sum can be obtained from the state funds, and this amount would be a good provision for the town's policy of a strip of permanent road each year. There is some variety of opinion as to where the money, if appropriated, should be used. All will admit that the Stafford road is in bad shape, and a macadamized roadway in this direction would be much appreciated. Others feel that the Wales road has full as much travel as the Stafford highway, and should be attended to.

The article relative to the use of the town hall for entertainment purposes will be the outcome of a controversy since the Monson Improvement Society held their successful affair and were given the hall rent free. The selectmen want the matter definitely settled by the voters for all time, so the burden will be lifted from future boards. Memorial Hall is a constant source of expense, while the income from its use is only about half of what it was 15 years ago, and expenses are on the increase if anything.

There is some talk also of introducing an article to see if the streets of the village be oiled to lay the dust, in place of sprinkling daily with town water. This is becoming a time-honored argument. An experimental strip on South Main street which was oiled last year served fairly well, but better knowledge of applications of the oil would have given better results. Those who feel that too much of the town's drinking water is used every summer on the streets point to the river as a source of water for street use. Many of the housewives argue that their carpets and rugs would be soiled by the oily earth tracked in from an oiled street.

Change at the Roderick.

Manager C. H. Babcock of the Palmer Opera House has been engaged by the owner of the Roderick moving picture show to manage that place, and shows will be given Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings, with matinee Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The very best pictures obtainable will be shown, and a serial, "Runaway June," will begin on Friday evening of next week, and run through 15 episodes. "The Million Dollar Mystery," which has been running, will be continued on Wednesday evenings as in the past. Last evening was the first under the new management, and an audience of good size was given some very excellent and smooth-running pictures.

Tax Bill of Interest to Monson.

Monson citizens are interested in a bill before the Legislature asking for a mill tax to equalize the distribution of funds of the state for school purposes. Cities like Springfield would lose money under the act to the extent of \$50,000 to \$100,000, while towns like Warren or Monson would gain \$1000 to \$1500. The cost of the tax on Monson would be about \$200, and the town's share in the neighborhood of \$1300.

Miss Mary Roche has returned from the millinery openings in Boston and New York.

The Monson Basketball Association five meets the fast Bondsville team in Memorial Hall this evening.

Will Buffington of Natick has been spending a few days with Mrs. Mary Buffington on Washington street.

Nelson L. Maguire has resigned his position as secretary of A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, and Walter Naughton has been chosen to succeed him.

The Misses May and Louise Pendergast spent the week-end with friends in Springfield.

Granite Circle, Companions of the Forest, are planning to give a carabaret minstrel show in Memorial Hall in the near future.

Miss Mary Dalton of North Monson was taken to the Springfield hospital Sunday for an operation for appendicitis.

Relief work for the Red Cross society will be continued at the Bungalow to-morrow morning and afternoon. Word has been received from headquarters in Boston that contributions of old linen will be very acceptable.

Mrs. A. L. Noyes is visiting friends in Springfield.

R. F. Bradway has a new Little Six Oakland touring car.

P. V. Spofford is ill at his home with ptomaine poisoning.

Mrs. Mary Green of Boston is visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. W. Ellis.

Harry W. Kittredge is taking a two-weeks' vacation at his home in Derby, Vt.

Clarence M. Edwards has returned from the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer.

Communion Sunday was observed at the Congregational church last Sunday morning.

Thomas Manning has returned from the Springfield Hospital, where he has been for treatment.

The Dorcas society met yesterday afternoon with Mrs. A. C. Rindge of North Main street.

Monson pool enthusiasts defeated a team from Palmer at Purcell's pool room Tuesday evening.

The union Lenten services for this evening will be in the Methodist church; Rev. Abram Conklin will be the speaker.

R. E. Shaw has a pen of 20 White Wyandotte hens that are making a weekly record of an average of 15 eggs per day.

The food and candy sale which the Ladies' Benevolent Society was to hold in the Methodist church yesterday was postponed until next Wednesday.

A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, held their annual inspection in Memorial Hall Monday evening. Refreshments were served following the work.

Prof. H. M. Bowen of the International College of Springfield gave an illustrated lecture on Poland before the Society and Literary Club at the Universalist church Tuesday evening.

Roy Moffett of Pease avenue has completed his studies at a school for undertakers in Boston, and has taken a position with the Roadstrand Company of Springfield.

Casimir Sienkiewicz, an earnest young Polish student from the International College of Springfield, gave an interesting talk on Poland before the Men's Club of the Congregational church Monday evening.

About 20 local agriculturists were planning to attend the Farmers' Week program at the Massachusetts Agricultural College in Amherst next week, but the meeting has been cancelled on account of the foot and mouth disease.

E. R. Cooke, A. R. Brown, R. E. Shaw, O. C. McCray, Amos Jette, William Lewis, Frank Brown, E. F. Cushman, F. E. Cady and E. F. Faulkner are among those who have been attending the automobile show in Boston this week.

Albert C. Wilber of this town and Miss Mildred Billodeau of Stafford Springs were quietly married at the Congregational parsonage Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 by Rev. G. A. Andrews. After a short trip Mr. and Mrs. Wilber will reside on Bridge street.

Quaboag Rebekah lodge held its annual anniversary celebration in Odd Fellow's Hall last Thursday evening. The program included piano selections by Miss Pearl Leahy, vocal selections by Miss Ruby Smith, several songs by the Academy quartet, and two readings by Miss Blanche Moulton.

Henry L. Rees of Washington street has accepted a new position with the maintenance department of the Boston and Albany railroad at their Boston office, and is at present engaged with two others measuring the road from Boston to Albany.

Mrs. Ella E. Laird, 36, a resident of Monson for about two years, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. Fred Allen of North Monson, Monday noon. She had been an invalid for many years. She leaves, besides her mother, a husband, Adelbert Laird of Wilbraham. The funeral was held at the home Wednesday afternoon, Rev. G. A. Andrews officiating; burial was in the No. 1 cemetery.

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The Sons of Veterans are planning to put on a mock trial in Memorial Hall in the near future.

The Auto Show in Boston attracted about a dozen car-owners from Monson the first of this week.

F. Lee Munroe of Springfield, who has been spending a few days with Ralph T. Entwistle, has returned to his home.

Carlos McCray will complete this week a 10-weeks winter course in agriculture at the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Court Monson, Foresters of America, and Granite Circle, Companions of the Forest, will hold their annual joint banquet at the Century Hotel Wednesday evening March 17th. Burdick's Orchestra will furnish music.

Marion Hertha Clark of New York city gave a pleasing presentation of "Peg o' My Heart" in the Academy chapel Wednesday evening before a good-sized audience. The Philomathean society ran the entertainment.

The Fortnightly Club met with Mrs. D. B. Needham of Lincoln street Monday afternoon. The party was a costume affair, the members being dressed in gowns typical of the first part of the nineteenth century.

A recent issue of the Congregationalist, in an article relative to Christian work in Danbury, Ct., speaks highly of the work of the physical director, Arthur S. Graves. Mr. Graves is a former Monson boy and graduated from Monson Academy. He studied for physical director at the training school in Springfield, and previous to going to Danbury has been in Pennsylvania and Minnesota.

Word was received in town Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Georgia Bruce of Waltham, a former resident. Mrs. Bruce's death occurred Tuesday morning after several weeks' illness. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bruce were residents of Monson for about 10 years, Mrs. Bruce, who was Miss Georgia Nelson, being soprano in the Universalist church for several years. The funeral was held at the home this afternoon and the body will be brought here for burial in the No. 1 cemetery to-morrow.

MONSON ACADEMY NOTES.

(By J. J. Fushey.)

The Freshman class held a social in the chapel last Friday night. The usual good time was enjoyed, and the evening passed amid a merry whirl of Dan Tuckers, Hot Coffees, Virginia Reels, Chance Walks and so forth. During intermission ice cream and cake was served. The music was furnished by school talent and was very fine.

Roy Harper passed the week-end with his parents in Worcester.

Herbert Burrill was called home Tuesday by the death of his brother.

The Varsity basketball team is scheduled to travel to Holyoke on Saturday to play the Holyoke high school team.

One more trial—D. S. stares the slow students the face.

Earle—better known as "Sharkey"—Harper was a visitor Saturday and brought a party to the basketball game. They made the trip from Worcester by auto.

Maurice K. Perry spent the week-end at his home in Brookline.

A large party from the school, which was chaperoned by Miss Holden and Miss Brown of the faculty, journeyed to Wilbraham Monday afternoon by private car. There were about 60 people in the party, and the fair ones did their share in cheering for the team.

EAST BRIMFIELD.

Ellis Lovell has moved his family to North Ashford.

Miss Marjorie Smith is substituting as mail carrier for her sister, Miss Ruth Smith, who is taking a vacation.

Anthony Mansell, 83, a well known blacksmith of this town, died at his home suddenly last week Wednesday morning. He arose apparently in his usual good health and after breakfast went to the barn to feed his horse. He soon returned to the house and complained of not feeling well, and almost immediately passed away. Mr. Mansell was a native of Canada, coming to the states 54 years ago, and had been a resident of East Brimfield for the past 38 years. The funeral was held from St. Anne's church in Fiskdale Friday morning, and burial was in the family lot in Southbridge.

Glacier Park Peaks.

The peaks in Glacier National park rising more than 10,000 feet above sea level are Mount Cleveland, 10,438 feet; Mount Stimson, 10,155 feet; Kintla peak, 10,100 feet; Mount Jackson, 10,023 feet, and Mount Slich, 10,004 feet.

Looking Ahead.

Customer—I want to get a collar for my wife's poodle. Dealer—Something plain, sir? Customer—No, something showy and expensive looking. I want some one to steal the little beast.—Boston Transcript.

Useful Indeed.

Teacher—What is the use of the Eustachian tube? Pupil—So you can hear yourself talk.—New York Times.

Consolation.

Beggar—I haven't tasted food for a month. Dyspeptic—That's nothing. It's the same old taste.—Town Topics.

A Popinjay

By MARGARET C. DEVEREAUX

Two men were standing on a street corner chatting. They were both crooks, though professionally they had no connection. A dapper young fellow who looked as if he had just come out of a bantbox passed them.

"Who is that guy?" asked one crook. "Hist!" said the other, and waited till the young man had got beyond hearing; then he added: "That's a Pinkerton. I run across him onct. He's the slickest in the business. I'd know him through any makeup."

"What's he doin' here?" asked the other nervously.

"I reckon he's workin' on the Tenth National bank business. I've been let into it that the best men in the Pinkerton service are on that case."

"Come off, Tom; you're coddlin' me." "You needn't believe me, Bill, if you don't want to. I've only given you what I think anyway."

The crook who had received this information tried to look unconcerned, but the other noticed that he was very much concerned. Bill walked away, and Tom looked after him with evident amusement. "What a sucker!" he said to himself. "I believe he had something to do with that bank job or he wouldn't have bit so sudden. He's a green one. The idea o' that popinjay bein' a detective!" And he smothered a laugh.

That same afternoon Bill met the popinjay again on the street. Bill looked at him so hard that he attracted the other's attention. This was probably the reason why he looked hard at Bill. At any rate Bill shuddered and passed on.

"He's on to me, sure!" he muttered. "I wonder if I could get out o' town without his knowin' it. I'm goin' to try a makeup."

When the 7 o'clock train pulled out of the station an elderly countryman with a pair of old fashioned green goggles on his nose sat in a seat by himself looking as if he had just come from the haying field. The door at the front end of the car opened, and who should come in but the popinjay. The only seat vacant was by the farmer, and the newcomer took it. The farmer's eyes being covered by the goggles and the lower part of his face by a long white beard, no one could see the contortions of his countenance. Presently he pulled himself together and said in a low tone to the man beside him:

"What is there in it for me if I give up the stuff?"

"What stuff?" asked the other, surprised.

"Oh, I'm on to you same as you're on to me. No need o' fencin'. If I put you on to where the money is hid will you let me out o' the game?"

The stranger turned, looked the speaker full in the face, surprise, curiosity, craft and a number of other expressions struggling for the mastery. Finally he said:

"Can you turn it over without the matter leaking out?"

"I can."

"Do you want to go anywhere?"

"Reckon I'd like to try South America for awhile."

"How much would you need?"

"How much can you let me have?"

"How much money have you to turn over?"

"All that was taken."

The popinjay was stalled. He didn't like to ask what he was supposed to know. He concluded to take a risk.

"Would five hundred do?"

"If you can't do any better."

"Very well. Where do we get off?"

"At Winchester."

There was no further conversation between the two till they reached Winchester, where they left the train together.

"Far?" asked the popinjay as they stood on the platform.

"About two miles."

"Cab!"

A station cabman drove up; the two got in and were driven beyond the outskirts of the town, stopping at a small house in bad repair. A woman came to the door, followed by several children whose faces peered from behind her. The crook had thrown off his disguise while in the cab and appeared as himself. The woman looked from one man to the other anxiously. Bill said to her: "I've got tired o' this business. I'm goin' to give up the stuff and take you and the children to a new country to make a new beginnin'."

"I'm mighty glad o' that," gasped the woman. "I'm dyn' with this load on me."

Going into the house, Bill went to the cellar and brought up a package, which he handed to the popinjay, who opened it and, finding a number of bank bills, counted out a thousand dollars and handed it back to Bill.

"I thought you made it \$500."

"I didn't know you were going to begin over with your wife and children. There's \$500 for you and \$500 for them. I'm no detective. You gave

yourself away to me needlessly. Our meeting on the train was a coincidence. I'm a millionaire. I shall take this money to the bank and restore it, including what I've given you. If you need help at any time let me know."

He wrote his address on his card and was driven away, followed by many a "God bless you."

The next day a young man dressed in the height of fashion called at the Tenth National bank, asked for the president, told his story and left the amount of a recent loss by robbery.

Out at First.



Percy—I shall never have the courage to propose to a girl—never.

Mercy—Well, you will be saved one disappointment in life anyway, Percy.—Boston Traveler.

Love.

Properly there is only one verb for love. It is not "amo." It is not "aimer." It is not the softest Italian verb. No printed language of man knows it. But the violin knows it, and the wild bird knows it; even the sea knows it. The rose is it, and the moon is it, and the look of a man's eyes into a woman's is it, and the look of a woman's eyes back again is it. But no man or woman can say it in any language that endures. —"Love Letters of the King."

Why, Indeed?

Mother—Florrie and her husband are still quarreling. Father—What, does he still object to her wearing high heels? Mother—Yes. And why should she lower herself to please him, I should like to know?"

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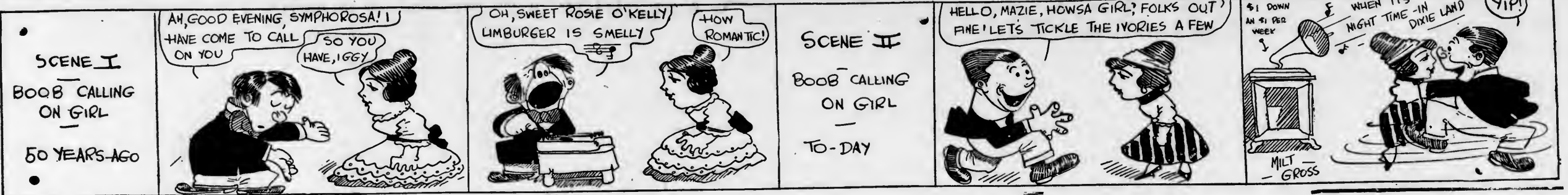
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Parrot & Co.

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silly Don Quixote, sentimental dreamer, to have made a hash of his life in this manner! He leaned toward the window sill and opened the cage. Rajah walked out, muttering.

When it was possible, Elsa preferred to walk. She was young and strong and active, and she went along with a swinging stride that made obvious a serene confidence in her ability to take care of herself. What the unknown called willfulness was simply natural independence, which she asserted whenever occasion demanded it.

She loved to stroll through the strange streets and alleys and stranger shops; it was a joy to ramble about, minus the irritating importunities of guide or attendant. It was great fun, but it was not always wise. There were some situations which only men could successfully handle. Elsa would never confess that there had been awkward moments when, being an excellent runner, she had blithely taken to her heels.

In her cool, white drill, her wide, white pith helmet, she presented a charming picture. The exercise had given her cheeks a bit of color, and her eyes sparkled and flashed like raindrops. This morning she had taken Martha along merely to still her protests.

"It's all right so long as we keep to the main streets," said the harried Martha, "but I do not like the idea of roaming about in the native quarters. This is not like Europe. The hotel manager said we ought to have a man."

"He is looking out for his commission. Heavens! what is the matter with everybody? One would think, the way people put themselves out to warn you, that murder and robbery were daily occurrences in Asia. I've been here four months, and the only disagreeable moment I have known was caused by a white man."

"Because we have been lucky so far, it's no sign that we shall continue so." And Martha shut her lips grimly. Her worry was not confined to this particular phase of Elsa's imperious moods; it was general. There was that blond man with the parrot. She would never feel at ease until they were out of Yokohama, homeward bound.

"I feel like a child this morning," said Elsa. "I want to run and play and shout."

"All the more reason why you should have a guardian. . . . Look, Elsa! Martha caught the girl by the arm. "There's that man we left at Mandalay coming toward us. Shall we go into this shop?"

"No, thank you! There is no reason why I should hide in a butcher shop simply to avoid meeting the man. We'll walk straight past him. If he speaks we'll ignore him."

"I wish we were in a civilized country."

"This man is supposed to be civilized. Don't let him catch your eye. Go on; don't lag."

Craig stepped in front of them, smiling as he raised his helmet. "This is an unexpected pleasure."

Elsa, looking coldly beyond him, attempted to pass.

"Surely you remember me?"

"I remember an insolent cad," replied Elsa, her eyes beginning to burn dangerously. "Will you stand aside?"

He threw a swift glance about. He saw with satisfaction that none but natives was in evidence.

Elsa's glance roved, too, with a little chill of despair. In stories Warrington would have appeared about this time and soundly thrashed this impudent scoundrel. She realized that she must settle this affair alone. She was not a soldier's daughter for nothing.

"Stand aside!"

"Hotty-toity!" he laughed. He had been drinking liberally and was a shade reckless. "Why not be a good fellow? Over here nobody minds. I know a neat little restaurant. Bring the old lady along, with a genial nod toward the quaking Martha."

Resolutely Elsa's hand went up to her helmet, and with a flourish drew out one of the long steel pins.

"Oh, Elsa!" warned Martha.

"Be still! This fellow needs a lesson. Once more, Mr. Craig, will you stand aside?"

Had he been sober he would have seen the real danger in the young woman's eyes.

"Cruel!" he said. "At least, one kiss," putting out his arms.

Elsa, merciless in her fury, plunged the pin into his wrist. It stung like a hornet, and, with a gasp of pain, Craig leaped back out of range, sobered.

"Why, you she-cat!"

"I warned you," she replied, her voice steady and low. "The second stab will be serious. Stand aside."

He stepped into the gutter, biting his lips and straining his uninjured hand over the hurting throb in his wrist. He had had wide experience with women. His advantage had always been in the fact that the general

run of them will submit to insult rather than create a scene. This dark-eyed Judith was distinctly an exception to the rule. Gad! She might have missed his wrist and jabbed him in the throat. He swore, and walked off down the street.

Elsa set a pace which Martha, with her wabbling knees, found difficult to maintain.

"You might have killed him!" she cried breathlessly.

"You can't kill that kind of a snake with a hatpin; you have to stamp on its head. But I rather believe it will be some time before Mr. Craig will again make the mistake of insulting a woman because she appears to be defenseless." Elsa's chin was in the air. The choking sensation in her throat began to subside. "You know and the purser knows what happened on the boat to Mandalay. He was plausible and affable and good looking, and the mistake was mine. I seldom make them. I kept quiet because the boat was full up, and as a rule I hate scenes. Men like that know it. If I had complained he would have denied his actions, inferred that I was evil-minded. Heavens, I know

man wore his new clothes, used his voice and eyes and hands, convinced her more than ever that the subtlest questions she might devise would not stir him into any confession. That he had once been a gentleman of her own class, and more, something of an exquisite, there remained no doubt in her mind. What had he done? What in the world had he done?

On his part he regretted the presence of Martha; for, so strongly had this girl worked upon his imagination that he had called with the deliberate intention of telling her everything. But he could not open the gates of his heart before a third person, one he intuitively knew was antagonistic.

Conversation went afield; pictures and music and the polished capitals of the world; the latest books and plays. The information in regard to these Elsa supplied him. They discussed also the problems of the day as frankly as if they had been in an accidental drawing-room. Martha's tea was bitter. She liked Arthur, who was always charming, who never surprised or astonished anybody, or shocked them with unexpected phases of character; and each time she looked at Warrington, Arthur seemed to recede. And when the time came for the guest to take his leave, Martha regretted to find that the major part of her antagonism was gone.

"I wish to thank you, Miss Chetwood, for your kindness to a very lonely man. It isn't probable that I shall see you again. I sail next Thursday for Singapore." He reached into a pocket. "I wonder if you would consider it an impertinence if I offered you this old trinket?" He held out the mandarin's ring.

"What a beauty!" she exclaimed. "Of course I'll accept it. It is very kind of you. I am inordinately fond of such things. Thank you. How easily it slips over my finger!"

"Chinamen have very slender fingers," he explained. "Good-by. Those characters say 'Good luck and prosperity.'"

No expressed desire of wishing to meet again; just an ordinary everyday farewell; and she liked him all the better for his apparent lack of sentiment.

"Good-by," she said. She winced, for his hand was rough-palmed and strong. A little later she saw him pass down the street. He never turned and looked back.

"And why," asked Martha, "did you not tell the man that we sail on the same ship?"

"You're a simpleton, Martha." Elsa turned the ring round and round on her finger. "If I had told him, he would have canceled his sailing and taken another boat."

(Continued Next Week.)

Gift of the Gods. A meat packer's wagon rattled over the cobblestones down First avenue. Overhead roared an elevated train, and in the sunshine on the curb sat five boys shooting craps.

Suddenly one of them darted out into the street, swung himself up on the passing wagon, seized a ham and jumped off—into the arms of a "white wing."

This agent of the city, after appropriating the ham, gave the boy a vigorous shaking and flung him toward the sidewalk.

Immediately all five boys vanished into the earth.

The "white wing" looked down the street and the wagon had disappeared as completely as the boys, with the driver quite unconscious of any unusual stir.

He looked in every direction; then, doubtless thanking the gods for their gift, he wrapped the ham in a newspaper and he too disappeared down a side street.—New York Post.

A Novel Craft. In the harbor of Port Weller, the Ontario entrance of the Welland ship canal, says the Engineering News, the surveying staff uses a flat bottomed boat that can lift itself clear of the water. It is a grill boat or sounding scow, of catamaran model, built particularly for the work of finding the elevation of the rock that underlies the bottom of the river. In order to have a steady platform on which to work during rough weather the surveyors had the scow made with a slot at each corner, through which a very heavy spud or post can be raised or lowered. The lifting mechanism consists of a wheel on top of each post, over which a wire cable passes from the side of the scow to an individual engine. When the scow heaves and sways in the water too much workmen start the four engines, and presently the scow is standing firm, with its four stout legs on the bottom of the river.

Its Sort. Prisoner—I embezzled this money because I am not rich. Judge—A poor excuse.—Exchange.

Now, Not a Single Word of This to Anyone.

the breed! Now not a single word of this to anyone. Mr. Craig, I fancy, will be the last person to speak of it.

"You had better put the pin back into your hat," suggested Martha.

"Pah! I had forgotten it." Elsa flung the weapon far into the street.

Once they turned into Merchant street, both felt the tension relax. Martha would have liked to sit down, even on the curb.

"I despise men," she volunteered. "I am beginning to believe that few of them are worth a thought. Those who aren't fools are knaves."

"Are you sure of your judgment in regard to this man Warrington? How can you tell that he is any different from that man Craig?"

"He is different, that is all. This afternoon he will come to tea. I shall want you to be with us. Remember, not a word of this disgraceful affair."

"Ah, Elsa, I am afraid; I am more afraid of Warrington than of a man of Craig's type."

"We are always quarreling, Martha; and it doesn't do either of us any good. When you oppose me I find that that is the very thing I want to do. You haven't any diplomacy."

Warrington's appearance that afternoon astonished Elsa. She had naturally expected some change, but scarcely such elegance. He was, without question, one of the handsomest men she had ever met. He was handsome, more than Arthur because he was more manly in type. What a mystery he was! She greeted him cordially, without restraint; but for all that, a little shiver stirred the tendrils of hair at the nape of her neck.

"The most famous man in Rangoon today," she said, smiling.

"So you have read that Tommyrot in the newspaper?"

They sat on her private balcony, under an awning. Rain was threatening. Martha laid aside her knitting and did her utmost to give her smile of welcome an air of graciousness.

"I shouldn't call it Tommyrot," Elsa declared. "It was not chance. It was pluck and foresight. Men who possess those two attributes get about everything worth having."

"There are exceptions," studying the ferrule of his cane.

"Is there really anything you want now and can't have?"

Martha looked at her charge in dread and wonder.

"There is the moon," he answered. "I have always wanted that. But there it hangs, just as far out of reach as ever."

Elsa's curiosity today was keenly alive. She wanted to ask a thousand questions, but the ease with which the

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Woman—You're the worst looking tramp I ever saw! Trump—Well, I only dropped work a week ago. A feller can't improve much in a week.—Boston Globe.

Sentimental Compunctions. "Can't you learn to call me Jim?"

"I'm afraid I can't."

"Why not? That's what all my best friends call me."

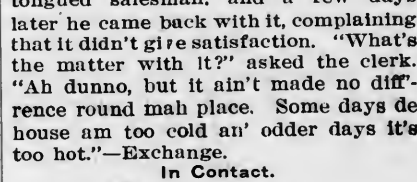
"Yes, I know. But it would be so unpleasant. We—we used to have a dog named Jim, and every time I hear his name I cry."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Useless. An ignorant negro had been persuaded to buy a thermometer by a glib tongued salesman, and a few days later he came back with it, complaining that it didn't give satisfaction. "What's the matter with it?" asked the clerk.

"Ah dunno, but it ain't made no difference round mah place. Some days de house am too cold an' odder days it's too hot."—Exchange.

In Contact. "Do you ever hear from your brother in college?"

"Oh, yes. He keeps in constant touch with father."—Wisconsin State Journal.



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CIVIL WAR VETERANS.

Three Pass Away in Ware Within A Few Hours.

AMONG OLDEST RESIDENTS IN TOWN.

John W. Robinson, Silas A. Spooner and Warren V. Howard, All Enlisted From Town of Ware.

The death of three of Ware's oldest citizens occurred Monday, when John Wales Robinson, 88, Silas A. Spooner, 78, and Warren Victor Howard, 72, all Civil war veterans, passed away within 12 hours.

John Wales Robinson was born in Haverhill in 1826, where he received his early education. He took up the study of medicine, but ill health compelled him to give up that profession. He went to Ware at the age of 34 and entered the grocery store of D. P. Billings, where he remained until he enlisted in 1862, at Ware, and was mustered into service at Readville as a private in Co. K of the 42d regiment of Massachusetts volunteer infantry for a nine-months' term, when he was honorably discharged. He returned to Ware, where he was paymaster for the Otis Company for a number of years. With his brother George he bought a hardware store, which they carried on together for a short time and then he took over his brother's interest and carried on the business until he was obliged to retire on account of failing health in 1887; the business is now carried on by his son. Mr. Robinson was always an active worker in the First Unitarian church of the town, was a member of Eden lodge of Masons and its second master. Mr. Robinson is survived by one son, John F. Robinson, with whom he lived, and one daughter, Miss Eliza Robinson, also of Ware, and three grandchildren. The funeral was held from the home on Cottage street yesterday afternoon, and the Masonic service was held in Aspen Grove cemetery.

Silas A. Spooner was a native of Jericho, Vt., but his early life was spent in Ware, where he received his education. He enlisted at Ware in the Civil war and was mustered into service in 1861 at Pittsfield as a private in Co. D of the 1st regiment of Massachusetts volunteers, being advanced to the rank of corporal. He was honorably discharged in 1863 for disability. He was a member of J. W. Lawton post, G. A. R., and was its commander at one time. Mr. Spooner was employed by the Charles A. Stevens Company as a wool sorter for a great many years. He was also an active and devoted member of the Second Congregational church, serving as deacon and clerk for a long time. Mr. Spooner lived alone and was found by neighbors Sunday morning, when he suffered a bad spell and was taken to the Ware hospital, where he died Monday noon. He is survived by one sister, Mrs. Sarah Merrishaw of Toronto, Can. The funeral was held in the Congregational chapel yesterday afternoon and was attended by delegations from J. W. Lawton post and J. W. Lawton camp, S. of V.; burial was in Aspen Grove cemetery.

Warren Victor Howard, who had been in poor health for the past four years, but whose condition was not considered serious until a few days ago, died at his home on the Enfield road Monday afternoon. He was born in Ware and was a painter by trade, but he was compelled to retire from active business several years ago, when he bought the farm on the Enfield road where he had since lived. Mr. Howard enlisted in the war in 1861 and was mustered into service at Roxbury as a private in Co. E, 2d Massachusetts volunteer infantry for a term of three years. He was taken prisoner and sent to Libby prison, from which place he was paroled and was finally liberated from Alexandria, Va., in an exchange of prisoners in 1863, and returned to his regiment. He remained in service until 1865, when he returned to Ware. Mr. Howard is survived by his widow and one son, Charles Howard of Ware. The funeral will be held in the home to-morrow afternoon, and burial will be in Aspen Grove cemetery.

A new steel ceiling is being installed in the Lynde drug store, and the interior is being painted in white.

An Indian Orchard electric car, which caught fire near the city almshouse in Springfield Saturday night about 11 o'clock and was burned to the trucks, delayed the theatre cars so that a party of Palmer people did not reach home until about 3 o'clock Sunday morning.

House in Bondsville Burned.

Owned by Patrick Fitzgerald, Occupied by J. Dube. Contents Saved.

A house owned by Patrick Fitzgerald, a little below the village of Bondsville on the Palmer road, was destroyed by fire last Friday afternoon. It was occupied by Joseph Dube, a contractor, and all of his household goods were saved.

The fire was discovered about 1.15 by a teamster employed by T. D. Potter & Co., and was then burning fiercely in one of the outbuildings. He at once gave an alarm, but before help could arrive the high wind had carried the fire to the house, and in an hour and a half nothing but the chimney was left standing. The origin of the fire is not known. The loss on the buildings is about \$1200, with \$600 insurance.

BRIMFIELD.

Miss King of the Springfield library, who has been spending several days at the hotel here, has returned to her duties.

Dr. Frederick Hamlin of New York, who has been a guest at Lakeview farm for a few weeks, has returned to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Hitchcock and Miss Lydia Hitchcock, who have been spending several weeks in Waterbury, Ct., have returned home. A visit was made last Monday by members of the class in poultry husbandry to Lakeview farm, for an inspection of the incubator cellar and incubators.

Miss Anna Tarbell, librarian, gave a talk before the Woman's Club in Templeton last Friday afternoon. She took for her subject "The Library and the Community."

Assistant Fire Warden of Massachusetts John P. Crow was in town this week superintending the repairs of the telephone line to the fire observation station on Steeple Rock mountain.

Word has been received in town of the death in Westfield of Augustus W. Alexander, after an illness of about three months. Mr. Alexander was formerly a resident of this town. He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Susan Beck of Auburn, Mrs. Lydia Q. Perry of Palmer and Miss Sarah E. Alexander of Westfield.

The Christian Endeavor Society presented the play, "Mr. Bob," in the town hall Saturday evening to an appreciative audience. Following is the cast of characters: Mr. Bob, Albert Moore; Aunt Becky, Florence Cook; Philip Boyson, Ernest Hitchcock; Katharine, Maud Hitchcock; Robert Brown, Robert Sawin; Pattie, Marjorie King; Jenkins, the butler, Charles Streeter.

Bonfires and brush fires have been so prevalent that orders have been received by Fire Warden Hitchcock from state headquarters to issue no more permits for fires and to recall all permits previously issued, until further orders are received. A fire in a meadow belonging to George Sibley and which was supposed to have been extinguished Saturday, broke out Sunday and spread over land belonging to John Warren and Gardner Norcross, reaching nearly to the Fiskdale road. It was gotten under control after several hours of hard fighting. Another fire late Saturday afternoon called the warden and his men to a fire east of the village near the electric road.

BELCHERTOWN.

Two Grassland Fires.

Two grassland fires did considerable damage Monday. One in Turkey Hill district was started from live coals being dumped in the meadow, which were fanned into a blaze by the strong wind. Before it was discovered the fire had nearly reached the buildings on the Alvertus Morse place, and it was only by desperate work on the part of the fire fighters that the buildings on this and on the E. E. Gay and Jewel Knight places were saved.

The second fire was set in E. C. Howard's orchard by boys, but it soon was beyond their control. They secured help but the fire burned through the orchard, which consisted of about 50 plum trees and half as many apple trees of from five to 20 years' growth; the trees were so severely scorched that the damage will be great.

In addition to the several improvements already made on his farm, Jewel B. Knight is preparing to drill an artesian well.

The high school has adopted the schedule of opening at 8.30 and closing at 2 o'clock during the vacation of the graded schools.

The Turkey Hill Rest Club was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Isaacs last Thursday evening. Music by a male quartet, readings and recitations, and games helped to make the evening a very enjoyable one.

WARREN MAN HELD UP.

Two Men Stop Oscar F. Heim Jr. Late Sunday Night.

AND TAKE GOLD WATCH FROM HIM.

Recovered Later. Officers Not Notified Until Next Day. No Clues To Work On.

Oscar F. Heim Jr. of Warren was held up by two men about 11.30 Sunday night while returning to his home, and robbed of his watch. The timepiece was found Monday morning about 50 feet from where the holdup took place. The matter was not reported to the police until Monday morning, consequently they have little to work on.

Reim's home is on the Ware road, about a mile from the center of Warren. He was within about 100 yards of the house when two men appeared from the bushes, seized him and told him to give up his valuables and to make no noise. The young man replied that he had nothing in the way of money. The men then grabbed his gold watch and told him to go on home.

His brother Otto, who had gone home only a few moments previously, had seen two men acting strangely, and securing a shot gun had gone back to meet his brother. Both started after the men but could find no trace of them. They reported the matter to the police Monday morning.

William J. Downey, who manages a lunch room on North street, told of two men who came into his place Sunday night and inquired the road to Ware.

WARREN.

Death of Mrs. Charlotte Keyes.

Mrs. Charlotte S. Keyes, widow of the late Franklin W. Keyes, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jennie M. Bowen, last Thursday evening. She had been a lifelong resident of the town, and had been a member of the First Congregational church since 1867. She is survived by the daughter above mentioned and two sons, Fred S. Keyes of this town and Charles D. Keyes of Roswell, N. M.; also one brother, Charles N. Shepard of Warren. Another brother died two weeks ago in Cleveland, O. The funeral was held from the home Sunday afternoon; burial was in Pine Grove cemetery.

The Warren Thief Detecting Society will hold its annual banquet next Wednesday evening in Memorial Hall.

Edward W. Burns, proprietor of Hotel Ramsdell, has sold the hotel to Timothy Saghruue of Ware, who took possession Tuesday. Mr. Burns came to Warren five years ago, succeeding Calvin H. Richards.

William J. Downey entertained a number of friends at his home last Thursday evening in honor of his guest, Dennis F. Mulhane of Oswego, N. Y., who was formerly a Warren boy and was educated in the Warren schools. He has a large law practice in Oswego.

Much interest is being shown here in the class initiation of Foresters to be held in Spencer April 18. Joseph M. Grise, Grand Chief Ranger of the order in Massachusetts, is a member of this court. Court Cabot of Chicopee will exemplify the work in Spencer at that time.

Town Clerk W. F. Duncan has received word from the committee which gave a hearing here regarding the town water supply, that it would report favorably, and plans are being made to hold a special town meeting so that the committee in charge may be instructed to proceed with the work at once.

An item that will be of interest to Warren friends is that Mrs. E. E. Crosby of Fort Collins, Col., entertained a party of 18 at her home last Friday to meet Miss Maizie Doty of Rawlins, Wy., who is visiting Miss Ethel Crosby, and also to announce the engagement of another daughter, Miss Florence Crosby, to Dr. W. J. Runvan of New York. Miss Crosby formerly lived in Warren.

John Cunningham, 71, who has been confined to his home on South street since Thanksgiving time, died Monday evening. He was born in Ireland but had been a resident of this town for over 50 years, where he was for a long time employed in the shoe shops, but for a number of years had carried on a repair shop on his own account. He is survived by a widow and three daughters, Mrs. Thomas F. Sheridan of Springfield, Mrs. J. F. Carmody of Chicopee and

MUST OBEY FIRE LAW.

Fire Warden Summers is After Unlicensed Fire Lighters.

WILL STOP PRACTICE IF POSSIBLE.

Two in Court This Week. Fine Imposed. Fires Must Not be Built Without Permits.

Forest Fire Warden Summers is determined to do something—if possible—to lessen the forest fires within his jurisdiction, and incidentally cut down the expense for fighting them. Consequently he had John Koziel of the Forest Lake district in court Tuesday charged with setting a fire without permission. Koziel was found guilty, but the case was continued from day to day because of the circumstances, which were unusual. He had applied to Deputy Warden A. H. Bennett for a permit to light a fire on Friday of last week, but it was refused on account of a high wind; he was given a permit for Saturday however, but not understanding English very well supposed that he had permission to go ahead on Friday, and did so. There was no intent on his part to disobey the law, but the fire got beyond his control and the firemen had to go to his assistance.

Yesterday Tomasco Mandoto was charged with a similar offense last Saturday. He built a fire on the "Spring House" property on the road from Three Rivers to Ludlow and it got away from him, the firemen having a hard struggle with it before they got it under control. He was fined \$10 and paid.

The high winds have dried up the leaves and brush to a dangerous condition, and fire once started is sure to cause great damage.

Miss Catherine Cunningham of this town; also one son, John Cunningham of Gloucester. The funeral was held this morning from St. Paul's church.

In the district court at East Brookfield Friday morning Albert Danse-reau pleaded guilty to the charge of chicken stealing from Fred W. Keyes of this town last December. He was arrested by Chief of Police St. George in Springfield last Thursday morning at the expiration of a three-months' term in the Springfield jail for carrying a loaded revolver at the time of the theft, when he and his brother George were arrested. The brother pleaded guilty at the time. Danse-reau was sentenced Friday to three months in the house of correction at Worcester.

Word has been received of the death in Keene, N. H., of Stary W. Bridge, who until four years ago was a resident of this town for 40 years. He was a member of King Solomon Royal Arch Chapter of Masons, of Quabog lodge, and of Forest chapter, No. 42, O. E. S., holding the position of tyler in all three lodges for a number of years, retaining that office in Quabog lodge for about 30 years. He was a member also of Clara Barton G. A. R. post until it was disbanded.

The selectmen have given notice that applications for liquor licenses must be filed with the selectmen by March 29, and that each application must be accompanied by \$500 to be deposited with the town treasurer. Four licenses can be granted, and it is expected that the wholesale license will go to West Warren and that the lucky applicants will be the same as two years ago.

WALES.

Miss King of Lee is visiting her sister, Mrs. Forest Heck.

D. S. Perry is getting out lumber for the new Methodist church.

Mrs. Matthew Holloran and Miss Ruby Townsend of Lawrence are at their home on Church street.

Mrs. Fred Converse entertained the Baptist Ladies' Aid Society at her home Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. E. Needham has returned from Springfield, where she has been for several weeks for medical treatment.

The Baptist church has appointed a committee, consisting of Rev. Charles T. Holt, chairman, Dea. W. E. Needham and L. H. Thompson to consider the subject of federation with the Methodist church.

The pulpit of the Advent church will be occupied next Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock by Rev. George S. Tyler, president of the American Advent Mission Society of Boston. Mr. Tyler has a large circle of friends in both home and foreign fields.

Hampden's Town Meeting.

Officers Elected, Appropriations Made. License by Five Votes.

The feature of Hampden's annual town meeting Monday was a protest entered by Albert F. Ballard that the doings of the Citizens' caucus were illegal and consequently all officers chosen would be illegally elected. The moderator, W. J. Sessions, declined to entertain the protest, deciding that he had no jurisdiction. The ballot was unusually light, only 86 votes being cast out of a registration of 156. The date of the annual meeting was changed to the first Monday of February. W. J. Sessions made a report of the hearing before the Legislative committee on street railways, and was appointed a committee of one to look after the town's street railway interests during the coming year. The only contests on the ballot were for tax collector and constables. The schools were given a liberal amount of money, but the other appropriations were kept down. The officers elected and appropriations made: Moderator, William J. Sessions; clerk and treasurer, W. M. Pease; selectmen and overseers of the poor, Charles L. Burleigh, Nelson M. Carew, LeRoy O. Howlett; assessor for three years, John Bartlett; school committee for three years, Marcus S. Beebe; cemetery commissioner, James W. Mulrone; auditor, John Hugh Adams; tax collector, Charles N. Whitaker; highway surveyor, Ernest W. Howlett; tree warden, Edward P. Lyons; constables, Henry W. Chapman, Edward P. Lyons; Stiles W. Stevens; library trustee for three years, Miss Kenia M. Carew; fence viewers, Walter Bartlett, Raymond Kibbe, Charles Whitaker. Appropriations: Town officers and contingencies, \$800; schools, \$2002; text books, \$200; medical inspection, \$20; library, \$125; paupers, \$500; highways and bridges, \$1800; fire department, \$100; insurance \$50; interest, \$150; total, \$5137. Liquor license: Yes, 40; no, 35.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kittridge entertained friends from Palmer Sunday.

Miss Ruth Bell entertained her Sunday school class at a chafing dish supper Saturday night in the home of Miss Mildred Fuller.

A meeting of the Home Economics Club, a branch of the Hampden County Improvement League, held a meeting in the selectmen's room in the town hall Saturday night.

A forest fire in the vicinity of Lyman's crossing on the Boston road, which threatened to cross the road to some buildings, necessitated calling out the fire warden last Friday afternoon, who with the help of his men succeeded in getting the fire under control.

The following officers have been chosen in the recently formed local Y. M. C. A., which has a membership of 18: President, M. E. Northrop Springfield Y. M. C. A. College; vice president, Winthrop Bell; secretary, Charles Roberts. Meetings will be held every Friday evening.

A fruit peddler who refused to give his name met with a mishap about 10 o'clock last Thursday night near the dry bridge of the Boston and Albany railroad, when an automobile going in the opposite direction struck the wagon and demolished the rear wheel, obliging the owner to substitute a fence rail for the wheel.

At a meeting of the Dingbat Club last Thursday evening the following officers were elected: President, Louis Bertrand; vice president, Frank A. Thayer; secretary, Edward M. Carney; treasurer, Charles Backus. The club expects to hold a banquet in the near future, and plans were discussed at this meeting.

WILBRAHAM.

Miss Lillie A. Phelps, 45, a former resident of Wilbraham, died last week Wednesday in North Grafton. She was born in Wilbraham, the daughter of Wells L. and Amelia S. Phelps, and received her education in the Wilbraham schools. She was a member of the Wilbraham Congregational church. She is survived by her father, three brothers, Dexter E. of Wooster, O., Loring W. of North Grafton, and J. Wesson of Bolton, Ct., and one sister, Miss Mabel A. of Elmira, N. Y. Burial was in the Adams cemetery in Wilbraham last Friday.

Gustave A. Wirstrom, 22, died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lars Wirstrom of the Wire Mill district, Saturday afternoon, where he had been on account of illness since last August. Previous to that time he was employed in Cleveland, O. The funeral was held from the home Tuesday afternoon, and the body was taken to Worcester Wednesday for burial in the Swedish cemetery in that city.

DECLINE TO FEDERATE.

Both Churches Vote Against the Plan Monday Evening.

AND MATTER WILL NOW BE DROPPED

Figures Not Indication of Feeling, Due to Necessary Changes in Original Plan.

Both the Congregational and the Universalist churches voted against federation at their meeting Monday evening, and the matter, which has been under consideration for some weeks, will now be dropped.

The meetings of both churches were largely attended. At the Congregational church the total vote was 128, 46 in favor of federation and 82 against. At the meeting of the Universalist parish, which was held before that of the church, the vote was nine in favor of federation to 75 against. The meeting of the church followed that of the parish, when the action of the latter was confirmed.

After the vote had been taken at the Congregational church, the hope was expressed that the project which was the origin of the proposed federation—the doing of institutional work for the young people of the place—might not be lost sight of with the negative vote, but that some means might be found of doing something, if not as much as originally hoped, along that line. Several persons spoke in favor of the proposition, and a committee consisting of B. J. Whittemore, L. E. Chandler and C. H. Hobson was appointed to consider possibilities and report at the regular quarterly meeting of the church April 1.

The figures of the votes given above are not to be taken as a measure of the number in favor of or against the general plan. On the contrary, it is certain that many who believed in the plan as first outlined voted against it because of conditions which had arisen during the weeks the matter has been under discussion. The joint committee of the two churches, working together on a plan for adoption found, as the work proceeded, numerous insurmountable difficulties which could not be foreseen or planned for. Consequently, the original tentative articles of agreement, presented at the first announcement of the plan, had to be so changed that the original "Big Idea"—institutional work for the young people of the town—was practically eliminated. This done, many who favored a trial of the proposition at least, on that ground, felt that the matter had better be dropped and voted accordingly.

WARE.

About 40 members of the Ware Masonic Club went by a special car to Brookfield last Thursday night to play a match game of bridge and pitch. This was the third meeting of the teams.

The list of gifts received at the Ware hospital during the month of February is as follows: Grape juice and jelly, Mrs. J. B. Sibley; cake, Mrs. Oliver W. Coggeshall; magazines and books, Mrs. George Tucker; flowers, games and books, a friend; magazines, Mrs. George G. Hall; old linen, Mrs. H. K. Hyde; magazines, Mrs. Charles Hyde; cream, Mr. Quirk.

Miss Esther Ryan, who was found unconscious by the Cambridge police last Friday, and who later died in the Cambridge Hospital, was born in Ware, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan. The mother died about seven years ago and soon after the family moved to Cambridge, since which time little has been known of them.

Dr. and Mrs. James H. Jolliffe have signified their desire to present the town of Ware with an American flag for the town hall building. Ware has been a town for over 150 years and has never possessed a flag. A petition was started in circulation last Saturday by Fred Clark for the purchase of a flag for the town and received many signatures, but with the gift from Dr. and Mrs. Jolliffe the petition has been recalled.

It required the work of Daniel Hyland and four men for three hours to rescue an automobile, owned by Springfield parties, which had attempted to take the crossing for the street cars over the Ware River near Gibbs' Crossing Friday night instead of the highway. The car was hanging over the stone work between the highway and the railway company's bridge over the Ware River, the accident happening in an attempt to avoid a pedestrian, according to the occupants of the machine, whose names have not been given out by Chief Buckley, who investigated.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant, with a caged parrot, the trio known up and down the Irrawaddy as Parrot & Co., travel along the road to the landing, bound for Rangoon to cash a draft for 800,000 rupees.

CHAPTER II—Elsa Chetwood, rich American girl tourist, sees Warrington come aboard the boat at the landing and, amazed at his likeness to her fiancé, Arthur Ellison, asks the purser to introduce her. Conservative English passengers are shocked at her breach of the conventionalities.

CHAPTER III—The purser tells Elsa that Warrington, the outcast adventurer, has beaten a syndicate and sold his oil claims for £20,000. Warrington puts Rajah, the parrot, through his tricks for Elsa and warns her against acquaintance with unknown adventurers—himself, in fact.

CHAPTER IV—Warrington and Elsa pass two golden days together on the river. Martha, Elsa's companion, warns her that there is gossip.

CHAPTER V—In Rangoon Warrington banks his draft, pays old debts, and while settling with James in his old lodgings overhears and interferes in a row over cards in the next room.

CHAPTER VI—Warrington finds that the row in the next room is caused by an enemy, Newell Craig, and threatens to shoot him unless he leaves town. Elsa goes for a walk with Martha. She is annoyed by Craig and stabs him with a pin. Warrington hits Elsa good-by. She does not tell him that she is to sail on the same ship for Singapore.

CHAPTER VII.

Confidences.

That night Martha wrote a letter. During the writing of it she jumped at every sound; a footstep in the hall, the shutting of a door, a voice calling in the street. And yet, Martha was guilty of performing only what she considered to be her bounden duty.

My Dear Mr. Arthur:—I do not know what to make of it. His likeness to you is the most unheard of thing. He is a little blazer and broader and he wears his beard longer. That's all the difference. When he came on the boat that night, it was like a hand clutching at my throat. And you know how romantic Elsa is, for all she believes she is prosaic. I am certain that she sees you in this stranger who calls himself Warrington. If only you had had the foresight to follow us, a sailing or two later in the past, they'll be together for four or five days, down to Singapore. I don't like it. There's something uncanny in the thing. What if she did forbid you to follow? There are some promises women like men to break. You should have followed me.

Neither of us has the slightest idea what the man has done to exile himself in this horrible land for ten years. He still behaves himself like a gentleman, and he must have been one in the past. But he has never spoken of his home, of his past, of his people. We don't even know that Warrington is his name. And you know that's a sign that something is wrong. I wonder if you have any relatives by the name of Warrington? I begin to see that man's face in my dreams. I am worried. For Elsa is a puzzle. She has always been one to me. I have been with her since her babyhood, and yet I know as little of what goes on in her mind as a stranger would. Her father, you know, was a soldier, of fierce loves and hates; her mother was a handsome statue. Elsa has her father's scorn for convention and his independence, clothed in her mother's impenetrable mask. Don't mistake me. Elsa is the most adorable creature to me, and I worship her; but I worry about her. I believe that it would be wise on your part to meet us in San Francisco. Give my love and respect to your dear beautiful mother. And marry Elsa as fast as ever you can.

The day of sailing was brilliant and warm. Elsa sat in a chair on the deck of the tender, watching the passengers as they came aboard. A large tourist party bustled about, rummaged among the heaps of luggage, and shouted questions at their unhappy conductor.

She saw Hoogly standing in the bow. A steamer trunk, a kit-bag, a bedding-bag, and the inevitable parrot cage, reposed at his feet. He was watching without interest or excitement the stream passing up and down the gangplank. If his master came, very well; if he did not, he would get off with the luggage. How she would have liked to question him regarding his master! Elsa began to offer excuses for her interest in Warrington. He was the counterpart of Arthur Ellison. He had made his fortune against odds. He was a mystery. Why shouldn't he interest her? Her mind was not free, nor was her heart a stone. She pitied him, always wondering what was back of it all. She would be in Singapore; after that their paths would widen and become lost in the future, and she would forget all about him, save in a shadowy way. She would marry Arthur whether she loved him or not. She was certain that he loved her. He was, besides, her own sort; and there wasn't any mystery about him at all. He was as clear to her as glass. For nearly ten years she had known him, since his and his mother's arrival in the small pretty Kentucky town. What was the use of hunting a fancy? Yes, she would marry Arthur. She was almost inclined to cable him to meet her in San Francisco.

That there was real danger in her interest in Warrington did not occur to her. The fact that she was now willing to marry Arthur, without analyzing the causes that had brought her to this decision, should have warned her that she was dimly afraid of the stranger. Her glance fell upon the mandarin's ring. She twirled it round undecidably. Should she wear it or put it away? The question remained suspended. She saw Craig coming

aboard; and she hid her face behind her magazine. Upon second thought she let the magazine fall. She was quite confident that that chapter was closed. Craig might be a scoundrel, but he was no fool.

A sharp blast from the tender's whistle drew her attention to the gangplank. The last man to come aboard was Warrington. He immediately sought James; and they stood together chatting until the tender drew up alongside the steamer of the British-India line. The two men shook hands finally, Warrington added a friendly tap on the Eurasian's shoulder. No one would have suspected that the white man and his dark companion had been "shipmates," in good times and in bad, for nearly a decade. Elsa, watching them from her secure nook, admired the lack of effusiveness. The dignity of the parting told her of the depth of feeling.

An hour later they were heading for the delta.

Elsa amused herself by casting bits of bread to the gulls. Always they caught it on the wing, no matter in what direction she threw it. Sometimes one would wing up to her very hand for charity, its coral feet stretched out to meet the quick back-play of the wings, its cry shallow and plaintive and world-longely.

Suddenly she became aware of a presence at her side.

A voice said: "It was not quite fair of you."

"What wasn't?" without turning her head. She brushed her hands free of the crumbs.

"You should have let me know that you were going to sail on this boat."

"You would have run away, then."

"Why?" startled at her insight.

"Because you are a little afraid of me."

"She faced him, without a smile either on her lips or in her eyes. Aren't you?"

"Yes. I am afraid of all things I do not quite understand."

"There is not the least need in the world, Mr. Warrington. I am quite harmless. My claws have been clipped. I am engaged to be married, and am going home to decide the day."

"He's a lucky man." He was astonished at his calm, for the blow went deep.

"Lucky? That is in the future. What a lonely thing a gull is!"

"What a lonely thing a lonely man is!" he added. Poor fool! To have dreamed so fair a dream for a single moment! He tried to believe that he was glad that she had told him about the other man. The least this information could do would be to give him better control of himself. He had not been out in the open long enough entirely to master his feelings.

"Men ought not to be lonely," she said. "There's the excitement of work, of mingling with crowds, of going when and where one pleases. Woman's lot is wondering and waiting at home. When I marry I suppose that I shall learn the truth of that."

Perhaps it was because he had been away from them so long and had lost track of the moods of the feminine mind; but surely it could not be possible that there was real happiness in this young woman's heart. Its evidence was lacking in her voice, in her face, in her gestures. He thought it over with a sigh. He felt sorry for the girl, sorry for the man; for it was not possible that a girl like this one would go through life without experiencing that flash of insanity that is called the grand passion.

He loved her. He could lean against the rail, his shoulder lightly touching hers, and calmly say to himself that he loved her. He could calmly permit her to pass out of his life as a cloud passes down the sea-rim. He hadn't enough, but this evil must befall him. Love! He spread out his hands unconsciously.

"What does that mean?" she asked, smiling now. "An invocation?"

"It's a sign to ward off evil," he returned.

"Are you expecting evil?"

"I am always preparing myself to meet it. There is one thing that will always puzzle me. Why should you have asked the purser to pick out such a tramp as I was? For I was a tramp."

"I thought I explained that."

"Not clearly."

"Well, then, I shall make myself clear. The sight of you upon that bank, the lights in your face, struck me as the strangest mystery that could possibly confront me. I thought you were a ghost."

"A ghost?"

"Yes. So I asked the purser to introduce you to prove to my satisfaction that you weren't a ghost. Line for line, height for height, color for color, you are the exact counterpart of the man I am going home to marry."

She saw the shiver that ran over him; she saw his eyes widen; she saw his hands knot in pressure over the rail.

"The man you are going to marry!" he whispered.

Abruptly, without explanation, he walked away, his shoulders settled, his head bent. It was her turn to be

amazed. What could this attitude mean?

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CHAPTER VIII.

A Woman's Reason.

Elsa stared at the vacant doorway. She recognized only a sense of bewilderment. This was not one of those childish flashes of rudeness that had amused, annoyed and mystified her. She had hurt him. And how? They had been together three days on the boat, and once he had taken tea with her in Rangoon. She could find nothing save that she had been kind to him when he most needed kindness, and that she had not been stupidly curious, only sympathetically so. He interested her and held that interest because he was a type unlike anything she had met outside the covers of a book. He was so big and strong, and yet so boyish. He had given her visions of the character which had carried his manhood through all these years of strife and bitterness and temptation. And because of this she had shown him that she had taken it for granted that whatever he had done in the past had not put him beyond the pale of her friendship. There had been no degrading entanglements, and women forgive or condone all other transgressions.

And what had she just said or done to put that look of dumb agony in his face? She swung impatiently from the rail and began to promenade the deck, still cluttered with luggage over which the Lascar stewards were moiling. Many a glance followed the supple pleasing figure of the girl as she passed round and round the deck. Other promenaders stepped aside or permitted her to pass between. The resolute uplift of the chin, and the staring dark eyes which saw but inner visions, impressed them with the fact that it would be wiser to step aside voluntarily. There were some, however, who considered that they had as much right to the deck as she. Before them she would stop shortly, and as a current breaks and passes each side of an immovable object, they, too, gave way.

The colonel fussed and fumed, and his three spinster charges drew their pale lips into thinner paler lips.

"These Americans are impossible!"

"And it is scandalous the way the young women travel alone. One can never tell what they are."

"Humph! Brag and assertiveness. And there's that ruffian who came down the river. What's he doing on the same boat? What?"

Elsa became aware of their presence at the fifth turn. She nodded absently. Being immersed in the sea of conjecture regarding Warrington's behavior, the colonel's glare did not rouse in her the sense of impending disaster.

The first gong for dinner boomed. The echoing wall spoke in the voice of the East, of its dalliance, its content to drift in a sargasso sea of entangling habits and desires, of its fatalism and inertia. It did not hearken one or excite hunger. Elsa would rather have lain down in her Canton lounging-chair. The dining-saloon held two long tables, only one of which was in commission, the starboard. The saloon was unattractive. A punka stretched from one end of the table to the other, and swung idly to and fro, whining mysteriously, sometimes subsiding altogether and then flapping hysterically and setting the women's hair awry.

Elsa and Martha were seated somewhere between the head and the foot of the table. The personally-conducted surrounded them, and gabbed incessantly during the meal of what they had seen, of what they were going to see, and of what they had missed by not going with the other agency's party. Elsa's sympathy went out to the tired and faded conductor.

There was but one vacant chair; and as she saw Warrington nowhere, Elsa assumed that this must be his reservation. She was rather glad that he would be beyond conversational radius. She liked to talk to the strange and lonely man, but she preferred to be alone with him when she did so.

She began as of old to study carefully the faces of the diners and to speculate as to their characters and occupations. Her negligent observation roved from the pompous captain down to the dark picturesque face of the man Craig. Upon him her glance, a mixture of contempt and curiosity, rested. If he behaved himself and made no attempt to speak to her, she was willing to declare a truce. In Rangoon the man had been drunk, but on the Irrawaddy boat he had been sober enough. Craig kept his eyes directed upon his food and did not offer her even a furtive glance.

He was not in a happy state of mind. He had taken passage the last moment to avoid meeting again the one man he feared. For ten years this man had been reckoned among the lost. Many believed him dead, and Craig had wished it rather than believed. And then, to meet him face to face in that sordid boarding house had shaken the cool nerve of the gambler. He was worried and bewildered. He had practically sent this man to ruin. What would be the reprisal? He reached for a mangosteen and ate the white pulpy contents, but without the customary relish. The phrase kept running through his head: What would be the reprisal? For men of his ilk never struck without expecting to be struck back. Something must be done. Should he seek him and boldly ask what he intended to do? Certainly he could not do much on board here, except to denounce him to the officers

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HAMPDEN.

Henry W. Chapman entertained about a dozen friends at his home last Thursday evening, the occasion being his 49th birthday.

Miss Mary Wall, a teacher in the Chester schools, is spending a four-weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Wall.

The C. F. Card Club was entertained last Friday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Chapin on the Somers road. Nine tables were in play and the prize winners were: First, Mrs. I. E. Beers and John Winkler; consolations, Mrs. Edith Parker and H. H. Faulkner.

Misses Alice N. May and Jeannet Varnum entertained friends in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Shute Friday evening. Setback was played and Mrs. D. L. McCray and C. H. Burleigh captured the prizes; Mrs. H. G. Ely and C. I. Burleigh were given consolation prizes. Refreshments were served.

At the sitting of the superior court in Springfield Monday morning, in the case of Mary Cappaccio against Charles Burleigh and Amos B. Merrill, a verdict was given for the plaintiff and damages awarded of \$197. Mrs. Cappaccio bought apples of Mr. Burleigh, who agreed to keep them in good condition until delivered. This he failed to do, with the above result.

There was a good attendance at the meeting of the Hampden Equal Suffrage League last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. F. J. Kenworthy. Mrs. Louise O. Smith and Mrs. Kenworthy gave reports of the proceedings of the Hampden-Hampshire conference, recently held in Springfield. Plans were perfected for a public meeting to be held in the near future.

How Do You Do?

What is your normal attitude toward yourself? Much depends upon this. When you look at the great, wide world and then at yourself in your own little center of it, how does it impress you? That is to say, are you a constant source of surprise and wonderment to yourself, which causes you ever and anon to halt in your tracks, look back over the road you came and marvel that you were ever able to make it?

Or do you take yourself for granted and consider that it is the most natural thing in the world for you to be where you are and doing what you are?

Or have you been so exuberantly busy trying to get somewhere that you have had no time to take these little mental invoices to discover just where you are and why and for how long?—Life.

Nelson and Villeneuve.

When Nelson fell at Trafalgar he was only forty-seven years old, and the French commander, Admiral de Villeneuve, was only forty-two. The latter was a brilliant sailor, who had already fought against Nelson, and he thoroughly realized what the English tactics were going to be on this occasion. Indeed, he held a meeting of the captains of the allied fleet and lucidly explained them. Nelson would not, he said, form line of battle parallel with the allied line. "He will seek to pierce our line, surround our rear and overpower with groups of his vessels as many of ours as he can cut off." Still, although prepared for this form of attack, Villeneuve failed to resist it, and he was taken prisoner, bitterly regretting that no shot had dealt him the same fate as Nelson.—London Chronicle.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss.

Probate Court.

To the next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of John Dzielick alias John Dzielick, late of Palmer, in said County, deceased, Intestate:

Upon the petition of Rozalia Dzielick you are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Springfield, in said County of Hampden, on the seventh day of April, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why an allowance out of the estate of said deceased should not be granted to his widow, the said petitioner.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks in the Palmer Journal, a newspaper published in said Palmer, the last publication to be on day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles L. Long, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this tenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifteen.

FRANK G. HODSKINS, Register.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a decree of the Probate Court for the County of Hampden, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, dated October 7th, 1914, will be sold at public auction on Saturday, April 24, 1915, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on the premises hereinafter described, the CHARLES D. FOSTER FARM, so-called, situated on the westerly side of the Thorndike Road in the Depot Village of Palmer in said County, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a stone monument on the road leading from said Thorndike Road to Barrett's to the northeast corner of land now or formerly of J. K. Knox; thence WESTERLY on said Knox's land about five hundred thirty-five (335) paces to stake and stones on land now or formerly of Lathrop Merriek, now of one Connor; thence NORTHERLY on said Connor's land, following an old fence, thence EASTERLY on said Connor's land, following said old fence; thence NORTHEASTERLY on same to land now or formerly of one Furkey; thence EASTERLY on said Furkey's land, along an old fence to a stake and stones; thence NORTHERLY on same along an old wall to an old road leading from the McDowd place to house of the Widow Burleigh; thence on said road to a stake and stones on land now or formerly of D. B. Matthews; thence SOUTHEASTERLY on said Matthews' land to stake and stones; thence EASTERLY on same to land now or formerly of F. Morgan, thence SOUTHERLY and EASTERLY on said Morgan's land to said Thorndike Road; thence on said Thorndike Road and said road leading therefrom to Barrett's to the place of beginning.

Supposed to contain fifty-five (55) acres, more or less, with the buildings thereon standing.

Terms made known at the time and place of sale.

STEPHEN S. TAFT JR., Commissioner, 31 Elm Street, Springfield, Mass.

DWIGHT R. WINTER, Auctioneer, March 17, 1915.

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as a professional gambler. And Paul would scarcely do that since he, Craig, had a better shot in his gun. He could tell who Paul was, and what he had done. Bodily harm was what he really feared.

He had seen Elsa, but he had worked out that problem easily. She was sure to say nothing so long as he let her be; and with the episode of the hatpin still fresh in his memory, he assuredly would keep his distance. He had made a mistake, and was not likely to repeat it.

But Paul! He finished his dessert and went off to the stuffy little smoke-room, and struggled with a Burma cheroot. Paul was a smoker, and sooner or later he would drop in. He waited in vain for his man that night.

And so did Elsa. She felt indignant at one moment and hurt at another. The man's attitude was inexplicable; there was neither rhyme nor reason in it. The very fact that she could not understand made her wonder march beside her even in her dreams that night. She began to feel genuinely sorry that he had appeared above her horizon. Just before she retired she leaned over the rail, watching the reflection of the stars twist and shiver on the smooth water. Suddenly she listened. She might have imagined it, for at night the ears deceive. "Jah, jah!" Somewhere from below came the muffled plaint of Rajah.

Next day, at luncheon, the chair was still vacant. Elsa became alarmed. Perhaps he was ill. She made inquiries, regardless of the possible misinterpretation her concern might be given by others. Mr. Warrington had had his meals served in his cabin, but the steward declared that the gentleman was not ill, only tired and irritable, and that he amused himself with a trained parakeet.

All day long the sea lay waveless and unrippled, a sea of brass and lapis-lazuli; brass where the sun struck and lapis-lazuli in the shadow of the lazy swells. Schools of flying-fish broke fan-wise in flashes of silver, and porpoise sported alongside. And warmer and warmer grew the air.

Starboard was rigged up for cricket, and the ship's officers and some of the passengers played the game until the first gong. Elsa grumbled to Martha. There was little enough space to walk in as it was without the men taking over the whole side of the ship and cheating her out of a glorious sunset. Martha grew troubled and perplexed. If there was one phase of character unknown to her in Elsa it was irritability; and here she was, finding fault like any ordinary tourist.

"Where is Mr. Warrington?" "I don't know. I haven't seen him since yesterday." Elsa dropped her book petulantly. "I am weary of these namby-pamby stories."

Martha's eyes had a hopeless look in them as she asked: "Elsa, what is the matter?"

"I don't know, Martha. I believe I should like to lose my temper utterly. I'm irritable because I do not know my own mind. I hate the stuffy stateroom, the food, the captain. Nothing seems to disturb his conceit. Tonight we sleep on deck, the starboard side. At five o'clock we have to get up and go inside again so we can hold stoves on the deck. And I am always soundest asleep at that time. Doubtless, I shall be irritable all day tomorrow."

"Sleep up here on deck? But the men?" "Horrid."

"They sleep on the port side." Elsa laughed maliciously. "Don't worry. Nobody minds."

"I hate the East," declared Martha vindictively. "Everything is so slack. It just brings out the shiftlessness in everybody."

"Perhaps that is what ails me; I am growing shiftless. When I came on board I decided to marry Arthur, and have done with the pother. Now I am at the same place as when I left home. I don't want to marry anybody. Have you noticed that fellow Craig?"

"What will you do if he speaks?" "I have half a dozen good hatpins left," dryly.

"I hate to hear you talk like that."

"It's the East. . . . There goes that hateful gong again. Soup, chicken, curry, rice and piccalilli. I am going to live on plantains and mango-steens. I'm glad we had sense enough to order that distilled water. Come; we'll go down as we are to dinner, and watch the ridiculous captain and his fan-bearer. The punka will at least give us a breath of fresh air. There doesn't seem to be any on deck. One regrets Darjeeling."

Martha followed her young mistress into the dining-saloon; she was anxious and upset. Where would this mood end? With a glance of relief she found Warrington's chair still vacant.

The saloon had an air of freshness tonight. All the men were in drill or pongee, and so receptive is the imagination that the picture robbed the room of half its heat. To and fro the punka flapped; the pulleys creaked and the ropes scraped above the sound of knives and forks and spoons.

Elsa ate little besides fruit. She spoke scarcely a word to Martha, and none to those around her. Thus, she missed the frown of the colonel and the lifted brows of the spinsters, and the curious glances of the tourists. The passenger list had not yet come from the ship's press, so Elsa's name was practically unknown. But in some unaccountable manner it had become known that she had been making in-

quiries in regard to the gentleman in cabin 73, who had thus far remained away from the table. Ship life is a dull life, and gossip is about the only thing that makes it possible to live through the day. It was quite easy to couple this unknown aloof young woman and the invisible man, and

then to wait for results. It would have amused Elsa had she known the interest she had already created if not inspired. Her beauty and her apparent indifference to her surroundings were particularly adapted to the romantic mood of her fellow-travelers. Her own mind was so broad and generous, so high and detached, that so sordid a thing as "an affair" never entered her thoughts.

As she refused course after course, a single phrase drummed incessantly through her tired brain. She was not going to marry Arthur; never, never in this world. She did not love him, and this was to be final. She would cable him from Singapore.

That night Craig found it insupportable in the cabin below; so he ordered his steward to bring up his bedding. He had lain down for half an hour, grown restless, and had begun to walk the deck in his bath slippers. He had noted the still white figure forward, where the cross-rail marks the



Turned His Dull Eyes Upon His Ancient Enemy.

waist. As he approached, Craig discovered his man. He hesitated only a moment; then he touched Warrington's arm.

Warrington turned his dull eyes upon his ancient enemy. "So it's you? I understood you were on board. Well?" uncompromisingly.

"I've been looking for you. Bygones are bygones, and what's done can't be undone by punching a fellow's head. I'm not looking for trouble," went on Craig, gaining assurance. "I went on Craig, gaining assurance. 'I am practically down and out myself. What stand are you going to take on board here? That's all I want to know.'"

"It would give me great pleasure, Craig, to take you by the scruff of your neck and drop you overboard. But as you say, what's been done can't be remedied by bashing in a man's head. Well, here you are, since you ask. If you speak to me, if I catch you playing cards or auctioneering a pool, if you make yourself obnoxious to any of the passengers, I promise to give you the finest thrashing you ever had, the moment we reach Penang. If you don't go ashore there, I'll do it in Singapore. Have I made myself clear?"

"That's square enough, Paul," said the gambler resignedly. There wasn't much money on board these two-by-four boats, anyhow, so he wasn't losing much.

Warrington leaned forward. "Paul? You said Paul?"

"Why, yes," wonderingly.

"Better go."

"All right." Craig returned to his mattress. "Now, what made him curl up like that because I called him Paul? Bah! He dug a hole in his pillow and tried to sleep."

"Paul!" murmured Warrington.

He stared down at the flashes of phosphorescence, blindly. The man had called him Paul. After ten years to learn the damnable treachery of it! Suddenly he clenched his hand and struck the rail. He would go back. All his loyalty, all his chivalry, had gone for naught. This low rascal had called him Paul.

CHAPTER IX.

Two Short Weeks.

When Elsa stepped out of the companionway the next morning she winced and shut her eyes. The whole arc of heaven seemed hung with fireballs; east, west, north and south, whichever way she looked, there was dazzling iridescence. What a wonderful world! What a versatile mistress was nature! Never two days alike, never two human beings; animate and inanimate, all things were singular. She paused at the rail and watched the thread of frothing water that clutched futilely at the red water-lilies. Never two living things alike, in all the millions and millions swarming the globe. What a marvel! Even though this man Warrington and Arthur looked alike, they were not so. In heart and mind they were as different as two days.

She began her usual walk, and in passing the smoke-room door on the port side she met Warrington coming out. How deep-set his eyes were! He was about to go on, but she looked straight into his eyes, and he stopped. She laughed and held out her hand.

"I really believe you were going to snub me."

"Then you haven't given me up?"

"Never mind what I have or have not done. Walk with me. I am going to talk plainly to you. If what I say is distasteful, don't hesitate to interrupt me. You interest me, partly be-

cause you act like a boy, partly because you are a man."

"I haven't any manners."

"They need shaking up and readjusting. I have just been musing over a remarkable thing, that no two objects are alike. Even the most accurate machinery cannot produce two nails without variation. So it is with humans. You look so like the man I know back home that it is impossible not to ponder over you." She smiled into his face. "Why should nature produce two persons who are mistaken for each other, and yet give them two souls, two intellects, totally different? Is nature experimenting, or is she slyly playing a trick on humanity?"

"Let us call it a trick; by all means, let us call it that."

"Your tone . . ."

"Yes, yes," impatiently; "you are going to say that it sounds bitter. But why should another man have a face like mine, when we have nothing in common? What right has he to look like me?"

"It is a puzzle," Elsa admitted.

"This man who looks like me—I have no doubt it affects you oddly—probably lives in ease; in fact, a gentleman of your own class, whose likes and dislikes are cut from the same pattern as your own. Well, that is as it should be. A woman such as you are ought to marry an equal, a man whose mind and manners are fitted to the high place he holds in your affection and in your world. How many worlds there are! man-made and heaven-made, and each as deadly as the other, as cold and implacable! To you, who have been kind to me, I have acted like a fool. The truth is, I've been skulking. My vanity was hurt. I had the idea that it was myself and not my resemblance that appealed to your interest. What makes you trust me?" bluntly; and he stopped as he asked the question.

"Why, I don't know," blankly. Instantly she recovered herself. "But I do trust you." She walked on, and perforce he fell into her stride.

"It is because you trust the other man."

"Thanks. That is it precisely; and for nearly two weeks I've been trying to solve that very thing."

After a pause he asked: "Have you ever read Read's 'Singleheart and Doubleface'?"

"Yes. But what bearing has it upon our discussion?"

"None that you would understand," evasively. His tongue had nearly tripped him.

"Are you sure?"

"Of this, that I shall never understand women."

"Do not try to," she advised. "All these men who know most about women were the unappealing."

They made a round in silence. Many an eye peered at them; and envy and admiration and curiosity brought their shafts to bear upon her. It was something to create these variant expressions of interest. She was oblivious.

"We stop at Penang?" she asked.

"Five or six hours, long enough to see the town."

"We went directly from Singapore to Colombo, so we missed the town coming out. I should like to see that cocoanut plantation of yours."

"It is too far inland. Besides, I am persona non grata there." As, indeed, he was. His heart burned with shame and rage at the recollection of the last day there. Three or four times, during the decade, the misfortune of being found out had fallen to his lot, and always when he was employed at something worth while.

Elsa discreetly veered into another channel. "You will go back to Italy, I suppose."

"Yes, I shall go to Italy once more. But first I am going home." He was not aware of the grimness that entered his voice as he made this statement.

"I am glad," she said. "After all, that is the one place."

"If you are happy enough to find a welcome."

"And you will see your mother again?"

He winced. "Yes. Do you know, it does not seem possible that I met you but two short weeks ago? I have never given much thought to this so-called reincarnation; but somewhere in the past ages I knew you; only you weren't going home to marry the other fellow."

She stopped at the rail. "Who knows?" she replied ruminatingly. "Perhaps I am not going to marry him."

"Don't you love him?" I beg your pardon, Miss Chetwood!"

"You're excused."

"I still need some training. I have been alone so much that I haven't got over the trick of speaking my thoughts aloud."

"No harm has been done. The fault lay with me."

"I used to learn whole pages from stories and recite them to the trees or to the parrot. It kept me from going mad, I believe. In camp I handled coolies; none of whom could speak a word of English. I didn't have James with me at that time. So I'd declaim, merely to hear the sound of my voice. Afterward I learned that the coolies looked upon me as a holy man. They believed I was nightly offering prayers to one of my gods. Perhaps I was; the god of reason. All that seems like a bad dream now."

"Are you going to take Rajah with you?"

"Wherever I go. Looks silly, doesn't it, for a man of my size to tote around a parrot cage? But I don't care what people think. Life is too short. It's what you think of yourself that really counts."

"That is one of the rules I have

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Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.

The Palmer-Ware Highway—Money for Slaughtered Cattle—Agricultural College Funds—Possible State Reservations—Sectarian Amendment Dead.

BOSTON, March 15.—Possibly Palmer stands a slightly better chance than it has stood previously to get a state highway, or improved highway between that town and Ware. Perhaps Palmer will get such treatment that it will be completely satisfied. Former Representative Ernest E. Hobson was down last week at the hearing before the committee on roads and bridges, of which Senator John W. Haigis, editor and proprietor of the Greenfield Recorder, is chairman. Mr. Hobson, in addition to his own argument, presented Thomas D. Moran, B. W. Southworth, and Representative Cady of Monson to speak for better roads in the town. What gives special encouragement, in view of the recent opposition by the State Highway Commission to the Ware-Brookfield road, is that Chairman William D. Sohler of the commission, speaking with your correspondent about the case, said that it was not for the commission to express an opinion of its own in the case of special appeals to the Legislature, such as these were, aside from the regular annual layout in different parts of the state. Hence that looks as if the attitude of the commission had changed within the last year, and as if prospects were somewhat brighter. Strong reasons were given by Mr. Hobson and the others for the improvement, it being made out that the road in question is one of the worst in that part of the state and much in demand for local travel. Two bills are pending. One is on the petition of Senator Herbert E. Cummings, and it is as follows:

Section 1. The Massachusetts highway commission is hereby authorized to expend a sum not to exceed \$20,000 during the present year in the construction and improvement of the highway in the town of Palmer, known as the Ware Road, and running from the Ware-Palmer line toward Palmer Center.

Section 2. To meet the cost and expense of this act the treasurer of the commonwealth is authorized to issue bonds to the amount of \$20,000, the conditions as shall meet the approval of the governor and council.

The other bill is on the petition of Senator Haigis himself, and its text is as follows:

Section 1. The Massachusetts highway commission is hereby authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$10,000 during the present year in the construction and improvement of the highway in the town of Ware, known as the Palmer road, extending from the Ware-Palmer line toward Palmer Center.

Section 2. The cost and expense incurred under the provision of this act shall be borne as follows: The county of Hampshire shall pay 25 per cent, the town of Ware 25 per cent, and the commonwealth shall pay 50 per cent.

Section 3. For the purpose of meeting this expense the county of Hampshire is authorized to borrow upon the credit of the county such sums as shall be necessary to pay its share, the town of Ware is authorized to issue the notes and bonds of the town therefor—such notes and bonds shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding four and one-half per cent, and the treasurer of the commonwealth shall issue bonds for \$5000 under such conditions as shall meet with the approval of the governor and his council.

A good many petitions are before the committee on roads and bridges from the five western counties for improved or state highway. In the very nature of the case, many of them must be turned down because there is not the money in the state treasury for their construction, or there is not in sight sufficient financial profit to warrant granting them. But the road between Palmer to Ware is in the hopeful class. This is because it is one of those which have the approval of the special commission which sat during the last recess. There are two ways in which there is a possibility that the committee on roads and bridges will act, and the outlook for this road is good under either alternative. One is that there will be a direct appropriation for the road. The other is that, instead of making any specific appropriation, the committee will report a blanket bill appropriating \$2,000,000 and give the State Highway Commission authority to spend it at their discretion. In that case, the Palmer-Ware road would be likely to get help.

Of course it would be hard on the neighborhood to have its hopes raised only to be let fall again, but there is really some brightness in the outlook.

Local milk producers will note with satisfaction that there has been a favorable report by the House ways and means committee on the Senate bill appropriating \$150,000 for the compensation of cattle slaughtered for foot and mouth disease. It is said that the secondary outbreak of this disease is proving about two-thirds as costly and expensive as the first. This makes a very large total for the agriculture of the state, and it is a loss from which there seems to be no redeeming feature. There has been distributed to the members of the Legislature a circular signed by a Fall River doctor making the point that the present outbreak of foot and mouth disease was caused by vaccine virus imported from abroad, and that the investigations of scientists in the service of the national government have established the fact beyond question.

If there are any small towns in the neighborhood of Palmer dependent materially upon aid received from the State Board of Education, they will note with interest that the committee on education has reported a bill that no town shall be eligible to receive aid from the state educational fund unless it spends annually at least \$4 on every \$1000 for the support of its public schools.

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ture, or, at least, by the committee on

agriculture, in reporting bills favorable to the agricultural college. President Butterfield impresses the committee as an exceptionally able and reliable man. He put before the Legislature the sound policy and the urgent need of broadening the college so as to prepare for a great development for the future. He wanted the Legislature to appropriate \$1,200,000, or \$200,000 a year for six consecutive years, without the college's being obliged to come to the Legislature for the money every year. What makes the case all the more remarkable is that the committee actually reported an appropriation of \$200,000 a year for five years. Of course it would not do to ask so much and then succeed in getting it all. So the committee reported the desired sum for five years and in that shape the bill has gone before the committee on ways and means. But they are likely to see mainly the conservative side, and it is too early yet to say that the bill will become law.

There has been reported a bill for taking Mount Toby in Sunderland and Everett as a demonstration forest for the agricultural college, the title to be in the state. There has also been reported favorably a resolve for an investigation by the state forester regarding the taking of Mount Grace in Warwick for a state reservation. Both these tracts have a wide local fame and prominence, and they seem to fall easily into the state's scheme of public reservations. What gives special interest to Mount Toby is the statement that it is exceptional among all the mountains in the state in having specimens of the different kinds of forest. On the top is a hardwood section, corresponding to those on the tops of the Berkshire Hills. Elsewhere is a section with the chestnuts, birches and that class, while on the southern slopes, in the sandy areas, are patches which are of the same sort as those in Eastern Massachusetts along the shore. Hence the mountain has exceptional facilities for studying the different kinds of forest and the policies which are to be followed in forestry development.

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THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 1915.

Thus jumping into the limelight and
out again every few months of Harry
Thaw is suggestive of the "Off again,
on again, gone again" of Sectionman
Finnegan.

BRYAN has warned Villa that he
must protect all Americans in Mexico
City, and will be held responsible for
failure to do so. And if he doesn't, we
suppose he'll be slapped on the wrist
"weal hard," in the same manner in
which he was before!

WHEN 75 per cent of the inhabitants
of a town vote for license it is safe to
say that the sentiment is overwhelm-
ingly in favor of the sale of liquor.
And that is what the town of Somer-
set, Vt., did in the recent local option
vote; four ballots were cast, three of
them "Yes."

TO KEEP within the appropriation
for postal service, which he figures is
much too small at best, Postmaster-
General Burleson announces that he
proposes not to cut salaries, but to "cut
expense and not the service." In view
of past and present conditions, we're
forced to remark, "Q. E. D."

HAS anyone noticed the peculiarity
of the large number of close votes
on the license question in the numer-
ous town meetings this spring? The
margin was only five at Hampden
Monday, and a difference of only two
votes has been recorded earlier in the
year, running from that to a dozen or
so in a large number of places.

IT is a disappointment to many that
the institution's work for the young
people of the village, which was
planned under the proposed federation
of churches, is not to materialize—at
least not at the present. The need of
the work is large, however, and it is
hoped that the committee which is to
consider the matter further will suc-
ceed in finding some method whereby
all the youth of the place—both boys
and girls—may be included.

WHY not employ prison labor on the
highways of the state, as suggested by
the automobile association? Many of
the offenders, by reason of their crimes
and the necessary punishment, have
compelled the support of their families
at public expense. Here's an oppor-
tunity to get something back and at
the same time improve highway trav-
eling conditions. It's done success-
fully in other states, but Massachusetts
may safely be counted as rather con-
servative regarding the innovation for
a time, at least.

IN THE death of Samuel Bowles,
editor and publisher of the Spring-
field Republican, which occurred on
Sunday, Massachusetts journalism—
and the Western part of the state in
particular—loses a member who will
be greatly missed and whose place will
be difficult to fill. It is gratifying to
know, however, that he has arranged
for the continuation of the Republi-
can along the lines for which it has
long been famous, and which have
gained for it the prestige which it
justly enjoys.

WHILE it is to be regretted that the
proposed federation of two local
churches, which has been much in the
public eye during the past few weeks,
is not to be, it is certain that the action
taken was the only one advisable un-
der the circumstances as they devel-
oped, and members who had the origi-
nal proposition much at heart recog-
nized this and voted no as the wisest
thing at the present time. There are
many however, who believe that the
proposition is sure to be adopted some-
time—how far in the future they do
not predict. Possibly when it comes
it will embrace more than the organi-
zations which were considering it now.

Campfire Girls Give Farewell.

The Couhono Campfire Girls gave
a farewell party to their guardian, Mrs.
Martha Loomis, who left Tuesday for
a trip to California, at the home of
Miss Odna Paine on South Main street
Saturday evening, a very pleasant
time being had. Miss H. G. Nicholas
will substitute as guardian until Mrs.
Loomis' return. The regular meeting
was held Monday night at the home of
Miss Rubie Jones, when the songs
which the girls are to sing at the
Bondsville fair to-night were practiced.

PALMER NEWS.

LOCAL NOTICES.

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Death of Mrs. Ellen Murphy.

Mrs. Ellen Murphy, 73, died Satur-
day afternoon at her home on Knox
street, having been in feeble health for
a long time. Her husband was Pat-
rick Murphy, who died some years ago.
They formerly resided in Thorndike,
Mrs. Murphy coming to Palmer to live
within a few years. She leaves three
sons, James Murphy of New York,
William Murphy of Pawtucket, R. I.,
and John Murphy of Hartford, Ct.,
and six daughters, Mrs. Patrick Con-
nor and Miss Nellie Murphy of New
York, Mrs. Julia Keefe and Misses
Lillian, Agnes and Minnie Murphy of
Thorndike. The funeral was held
from St. Thomas' church Monday
morning with a high requiem mass,
celebrated by Rev. Fr. Hennessy. J.
J. Donahue sang "Beautiful Land on
High," and Mrs. J. J. Burke sang,
"Lead, Kindly Light." The bearers
were J. B. Dawson, D. J. Fogarty,
Thomas Donoghue, T. J. Clifford, P.
F. McKelligott and Dr. J. F. Roche;
burial was in St. Thomas' cemetery.
The floral tributes were many and
beautiful. Relatives and friends were
present from New York, Hartford,
Easthampton, Providence and New
Haven.

Motion Pictures of the Pope.

At the opera house on Friday even-
ing of next week will be shown six
reels of pictures of Pope Pius X and
the Vatican, the only authorized and
authentic pictures ever taken of His
Holiness, and these were secured only
after months of waiting and untiring
exertion. Manager Babcock has been
extremely fortunate in securing them,
as they have been released only a short
time.

To-night the first installment of
"Runaway June" will be shown, and
ladies and children under 12 will be
admitted for five cents and a coupon
ticket, numbers of which have been
distributed this week. Zudora in the
\$20,000,000 mystery next Tuesday
evening.

Wing Hospital Report For February.

The report of the Wing Memorial
Hospital for February shows that there
were 11 patients in the institution at
the first of the month; admitted dur-
ing the month, 22; total, 319; daily
average, eleven and eleven twenty-
eights. There were 15 surgical cases,
10 medical and four obstetrical.

Donations during the month: Toilet
soap, Foley & Doyle; old linen, Mrs.
Hitchcock; flowers, Mr. Beckwith;
jelly, and cards for children, a friend;
stories for children, Mrs. Mason's Sun-
day school class; preserves, jelly,
pickles, pies, Episcopal church food
sale; dozen wash cloths, Woman's
Club; dozen dresses for babies, Cou-
hono Campfire Girls.

Samuel Bryant of Beacon, N. Y., is
visiting his uncle, E. Goodes, on Pine
street.

The Entre Nous Whist Club met at
the home of Mrs. Rufus Flynt last
evening.

S. H. Sayles and family have moved
into the upper flat of the house on the
corner of Central and Converse streets,
owned by Mrs. Lucy Flynt.

G. S. Holden has taken the agency
for the Overland automobiles, and will
handle them in connection with the
Fords, which he has handled for
several years.

Miss Nicholas, the high school
French and German teacher, is taking
charge of the groups of Campfire girls
over whom Mrs. Martha Loomis and
Mrs. H. W. Holbrook are guardians.
They have gone to California for a
month's vacation.

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Cheney of Main
street, Mrs. Martha Loomis of Pleasant
street, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Holbrook
and Miss Marjorie Buck of North Main
street left Tuesday noon for a trip of
about a month to the Pacific coast.

Harry H. Richards was pleasantly
surprised at his home on Holbrook
street last Thursday evening by a
number of his friends and neighbors,
the occasion being his birthday. Cards
were played and a very pleasant even-
ing spent.

Mrs. Margaret Stone, 85, died last
Thursday afternoon at the home of
Mrs. George Smith in Palmer Center.
She had been a resident of the town
for a long time. She leaves one sister,
Mrs. Edward Dalton of Springfield.
The funeral was from St. Thomas'
church Saturday morning, with burial
in St. Thomas' cemetery.

The Heweha Campfire Girls were
disappointed last Monday evening
because Miss Hill, owing to the great
number of operations in the Wing
Memorial Hospital during the last few
days, was unable to give the girls her
third talk on "First Aid." The girls
spent the evening practicing what they
had already learned. Misses Rauch,
Harris and Trumble had charge of re-
freshments, Miss Barton assisting.
The meeting was at Miss Barton's
home. The girls will hold a cere-
monial meeting next Wednesday evening
at Mr. Allen's.

District Court Doings.

Three Peddlers Fined. One Assault Case.
Drunks Let Go.

In the district court Monday morn-
ing Abed Salk and John Award, itin-
erant peddlers, for failing to have their
names and license numbers displayed
conspicuously on their packs, as re-
quired by law, were fined \$10 each, and
settled. Stanley Olerjireuk of Three
Rivers was arraigned on a charge of
the larceny of a sum of money. He
was found not guilty and was dis-
charged. Two vagrants were allowed
to go their way.

Yesterday morning John F. Hanni-
fin of Bondsville, for assault on Lewis
Swiart, paid a fine of \$5.

Leon Engle, for failing to have his
name, residence and license number
on his pack, paid a fine of \$10. Leon
and his brother Philip were traveling
together with one license selling furs.
Leon had the license and Philip
claimed to be simply lugging the stock.
There being no evidence that he had
made sales, he was discharged.

There were two drunks; one was
fined \$6, and the other was let go on a
suspended sentence.

Associate Justice D. F. Dillon was
on the bench both days.

Music Students' Club Meets.

A meeting of the Music Students'
Club was held Tuesday evening at the
home of Mrs. Eric Allen on Pleasant
street, the evening being devoted to a
study of the life and works of Ethel-
bert Woodbridge Nevin. Mrs. L. E.
Chandler read an interesting paper,
and the following program was given:

Piano duet, "Mazurka,"
Mrs. S. R. Carsley and Mrs. Vernon Faunce
Piano solo, "Narcissus," Miss Blanche LeGro
Vocal solo, "Sleep, Little Tullip, Sleep,"
Miss Marion Andrews
Piano Duet, "Waltz,"
Mrs. S. R. Carsley and Mrs. Faunce
Vocal solo, "The Rosary,"
Miss Marie Knobel
Piano solo, "Notturmo," Miss Alice Clark
Vocal duet, "Oh, That We Two Were Maying,"
Mrs. Eric Allen and Miss Annie B. Gould
Piano solo, "Good Night," Miss Mollie Barton

The next meeting of the club will
be with Miss Barton March 29, and
Mendelssohn will be the composer
taken up.

L. L. Merrick Woman's Relief Corps
will meet to-morrow evening in Mem-
orial Hall.

Tockwotton tribe of Red Men will
hold a regular meeting in Odd Fellows
Hall next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. L. M. Shaw of Walnut street
has returned from an extended visit
with friends in Woodstock, Ct.

Mrs. F. B. Harrison of Woodstock,
Ct., a former resident of Palmer,
called on friends in town Tuesday.

The Campfire Girls are to sing In-
dian and campfire songs at the Bond-
sville Methodist church fair this even-
ing.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Faulkner of
Pine street are receiving congratula-
tions on the birth of a daughter
Sunday.

Mrs. C. F. Anderson has returned to
her home after being successfully
operated on at the Wing Memorial
Hospital.

Last Saturday afternoon eleven
Heweha Campfire Girls walked to
Monson. Some ambitious ones walked
back also.

Mr. and Mrs. George S. Holden of
Central street and Mr. and Mrs. Rufus
Flynt of Walnut street spent the week-
end in Boston.

Mrs. Oscar Cady, who underwent an
operation in the Wing Memorial
Hospital last Saturday afternoon, is
doing very nicely.

The Ministerial Association reports
increasing interest on the part of the
people of the seven churches of Pal-
mer in the "Come-to-Church" cam-
paign.

Catherine M. Connor, daughter of
Daniel Connor of South Main street,
was taken to the Wing Memorial
Hospital Monday for an operation for
appendicitis, which was performed
successfully and she is recovering
nicely.

Prof. Skinner of Tufts College will
preach in the Universalist church
Sunday.

Division 15, A. O. H., will hold a
regular meeting in Thorndike Sunday
afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Miss Ethel Wiggins, night matron
of the Worcester Memorial Hospital,
is a guest of Mrs. F. S. Keith of Park
street.

Miss Dorothy Rogers of Danbury,
Ct., was a guest over Sunday of her
sister, Mrs. Eric Allen of Pleasant
street.

Rev. C. Julian Tuthill of Mattapoi-
sett was a guest of his mother, Mrs.
Delight Tuthill of Pleasant street, a
part of the week.

The ladies of the Universalist church
will hold a food sale in Whitcomb &
Faulkner's store to-morrow afternoon
from 3 to 5 o'clock.

The ladies of the Baptist church will
serve a baked beans and Brookfield
sausage supper in the church next
Wednesday evening at 6.30.

Miss Josie Fenton of Three Rivers
underwent an operation yesterday at
the Carney Hospital in Boston, and is
reported as doing nicely.

Court Palmer, Foresters of America,
has elected these delegates to the state
convention: David Micott, Walter
Burford; alternates, Peter Brouillette,
J. P. O'Connor.

A meeting of the Young Men's
Library Association will be held in the
library room next Tuesday evening at
8 o'clock, to act on proposed changes
in the by-laws.

The Flynt Building and Construc-
tion Company has been awarded the
contract for new buildings for the
Clinton Wire Company at Clinton, the
work aggregating about \$50,000.

Evelyn Beatrice, the seven-weeks-old
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cody
of the Wire Mill district, died Sunday
morning. The funeral was held Tues-
day morning.

The last entertainment in the
Lycium course—the Dunbar quartet
and bell ringers—will be given in the
opera house next Monday evening.
The company has been here before and
proved most enjoyable entertainers.

There will be a party at the Quabog
Country Club house at North Monson
next Tuesday evening. The commit-
tee in charge will be Miss Holmes,
Miss Wingate, Mr. and Mrs. L. C.
Flynt, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Cushman.

Miss Martha Buzzell, who has been
visiting in Washington, D. C., has re-
turned to her duties as substitute prin-
cipal of the Three Rivers grammar
school. Superintendent Hobson, who
has been filling this position for some
time past, is again back at his office
in the high school.

The Allen Bird Club of Springfield
visited the state fish hatchery at Pal-
mer Center last Saturday, the party
numbering 16. They were shown all
the workings of the establishment by
Superintendent Monroe, who served a
lunch to his guests. The party also
visited the Col. Goetting pond on the
way home.

A number of young friends of
Charles Denning of 243 South Main
street gave him a surprise party at his
home last Thursday evening; there
were 13 couples present. He was pre-
sented with a gold fountain pen.
Games were played, and ice cream,
cake and punch were served. All
present reported a most enjoyable
time.

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THORNDIKE.

Successful Whist Party.

There was a large audience at Union Hall last night to attend the annual concert and whist party given in honor of St. Patrick's Day by members of St. Mary's parish. The program consisted of an opening chorus, "Hail, Glorious Apostle," followed by a solo by Miss May Moynahan, "My Heart is in Dear Old Erin," and a recitation by Mary Kelley. Miss Ella Brosnan sang an Irish song and Miss Nola Cavanaugh sang "Pygmalion Roses." This was followed by a drama by the children of the Sunday school entitled, "The Elves and the Shoemaker," the following children taking part: Katherine Longtine, Francis Tagan, Esther Sullivan, James Mongeau, Morris Moynahan, John Riley, Hutehin Tibbetts, Mae Longtine, Agnes Hughes, Nora Daley. There were vocal selections by Mrs. J. J. Burke, Miss Elizabeth Riddle, and Jeremiah Lamery, a reading by Miss Marie Dullihan and vocal solos by Mrs. J. J. Kelley, followed by a flag drill in which the following took part: Esther Sullivan, Agnes Hughes, Nora Daley, Grace Cavanaugh, Phoebe Tibbett, Catherine Longtine, Henry and Ivy Dunn, Esther Laplante and Florence Lapalm, which brought the entertainment to a close, after which whist was indulged in for a while with suitable prizes.

Mrs. Mary Dryden, who was seriously ill at her home on Pine avenue, is recovering.

Division 15, A. O. H., attended holy communion at St. Mary's church in a body on Sunday last.

Richard Laplant Jr. of Easthampton was called home this week on account of the death of his sister, which occurred Sunday.

John Coogan of Indian Orchard has been spending a few days this week with his sister, Mrs. J. J. Kelley of High street.

Timothy Sullivan of this place has commenced work on his new garage on land recently bought in Palmer on North Main street.

St. Mary's Total Abstinence Society is preparing the Drama, "Our Boys," which they intend to present in Union Hall after Lent. Miss Katherine Sugrue is coaching them.

Fred Ouimette, employed as a driver for the Thorndike Coal and Grain Co., is a patient at the Mercy Hospital in Springfield, where he underwent an operation for an abscess in the head.

Viola, the six-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Laplant, died on Sunday of pneumonia. The funeral was Tuesday afternoon from the house. Burial was in St. Thomas' cemetery.

Rev. Fr. O'Connor of Chicopee Falls preached an instructive and interesting sermon Tuesday evening at St. Mary's church in the series of Lenten sermons, his text being "Do penance, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at Hand."

Many Thorndike friends went to Palmer Monday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Ellen Murphy, which took place from St. Thomas' church. Mrs. Murphy was a well-known resident of Ware for years, and was the mother of Mrs. M. E. Keefe of this place.

The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Stone, whose death occurred on Thursday, was held on Saturday morning, with burial in St. Thomas cemetery, Thorndike. She was an old-time res-

ident of Thorndike and was widely known. She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Edward Dalton of Springfield.

Joseph Rolland, 50, died at his home Saturday of stomach trouble. He is survived by a wife, three daughters, Misses Sofia, Ellen, Stasia, and three sons, John, Joseph and Alexander. The funeral was held Monday morning from St. Peter and St. Paul's church, Three Rivers, where a mass of requiem was celebrated by the pastor; burial was in St. Anne's cemetery, Three Rivers.

Next Sabbath morning Rev. J. E. Enman will have for his sermon subject, "The Wealth of Devotion Christian Womanhood Gives the Saviour." Sunday school meets at noon. At 7 o'clock Mr. Enman will speak on, "The Life of Obedience as the Solution of Life's Mysteries." Next Sunday the women invite and welcome the people.

BONDSDVILLE.

Dow-Spears.

A wedding of much interest to this village took place Sunday afternoon, when Wesley D. Spears of South Belchertown was united in marriage to Miss Helen Shores Dow of Chicopee. The ceremony was performed at 3 o'clock at the home of the groom in South Belchertown. Rev. T. C. Martin, pastor of the Methodist church of this village, of which Mr. Spears has been a member for several years, was the officiating clergyman. A few intimate friends of the couple were present. Mr. Spears has been a resident and successful farmer in South Belchertown for several years, and is well known in this village. Miss Dow was born in New Hampshire; during the last six years she has been employed as a stenographer in the office of the Stevens-Duryea company in Chicopee Falls. The couple will make their home in South Belchertown.

Mrs. T. C. Martin spent Monday with friends in Monson.

Mrs. Clinton Carey of Lowell came Tuesday to visit Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Childs.

The Poinsettia Club will meet tonight with Miss Delia A. Sullivan of Church street.

J. Lawrence Martin spent Sunday with his brother, Howard C. Martin, in Worcester.

Miss Sarah Thompson of Palmer was a guest Tuesday of her aunt, Mrs. C. H. Banister.

William H. Albro of Springfield was a guest Sunday of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Miss Lucy Shaw, a nurse in a Northampton hospital, spent Tuesday with Miss Bertha Ramsden.

Dr. Daniel Sullivan of Alberta, Canada, came last week to visit his brother, Michael R. Sullivan.

Mrs. James Smith of Ware was a Sunday guest of her mother, Mrs. Margaret Donovan.

Miss Beatrice Bond of Springfield spent Sunday as a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Albro.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Collis were guests Sunday of Willard Nelson and Miss Martha Collis in Monson.

Mrs. Daniel Austin and mother, Mrs. O'Connor, are both confined to the house with severe attacks of grip.

Eugene White returned Saturday to his home in Springfield after a few days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Collis.

Mrs. George Bray of Stafford, Ct., came Wednesday to visit her daughter, Mrs. C. D. Holden. Mr. Bray will join her Saturday.

Miss Catherine Mansfield of the Wesson Memorial Hospital, Springfield, visited Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mansfield.

This evening the Lenten sermon at St. Bartholomew's church will be preached by Rev. Fr. Sullivan of Holyoke. To-morrow evening there will be the Way of the Cross.

Harold E. Albro, Wesley Magee, J. Lawrence Martin and Noe Monat went Friday to Uxbridge to play on the Palmer high school team against the high school team of that place. They returned home Saturday.

Next Sunday will be observed as the third in the series of go-to-church Sundays at the morning service of the M. E. church. The pastor will preach a sermon especially for the young people of the parish.

Mrs. George A. Canterbury was taken to the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer Saturday, where she was operated on Sunday. She is doing nicely, and will be able to return home after a few days' treatment.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Charles H. Banister. These ladies will serve: Mrs. William Taylor, Mrs. Lucas Welch, Mrs. Charles Banister, Mrs. Arthur Billings and Mrs. Charles Collis.

Ralph Hanscom, who has for several years been employed by the Boston Duck Co., has resigned his position, and will go the first of April to his new home in New Hampshire, where in company with his brother he has bought a farm near Nashua.

The annual fair of the Ladies' Aid Society opened in the vestry of the M. E. church this afternoon. It will continue this evening and to-morrow afternoon and evening. There will be a supper and entertainment both evenings.

A Leslie Banister, a junior at the Y. M. C. A. College in Springfield, is spending the week with his class in a tour to the leading Young Men's Christian Associations and educational institutions in and around Providence and Boston. The object of the trip is to give the young men a practical knowledge of the actual work as it is done in the field. Various organizations visited will banquet the boys, including a dinner Monday evening by the Providence Association; Tuesday evening the party were guests of the Narragansett Machine Co. at a banquet; this noon they were guests of the Lynn Association at a luncheon where a former graduate of the college is general secretary. A trip will also be made to Brown University, Wellesley and Lynn, where the members will be entertained at luncheon. The alumni banquet will be held in Boston Thursday evening; the return trip will be made Friday.

THREE RIVERS.

A. Cohen of Main street has been in New York on a business trip.

Joseph Geoffroi is ill at his home on Main street with pneumonia.

Doane Smith of Springfield was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Reed of Springfield Road is visiting relatives in Vermont.

Nathan Cramer spent the last of the week with his family in Worcester.

Mrs. H. A. Shaw of Main street, who has been quite ill, is slowly recovering.

Elton Chamberlain has been ill at his home on Maple street the past few days.

Julius Spillane is recovering rapidly from an attack of scarlet fever, and it is expected that the family will be released from quarantine the last of the week.

The Red Men held their monthly meeting Tuesday evening in Recreation Hall.

Miss Nellie Carr of Westfield visited Miss Grace Walsh at the Riverside Hotel, Sunday.

Miss N. Cronin of West Warren was the guest of Miss Mary Twiss of Main street Friday.

Minnie Sinclair has recovered from her recent severe illness and has returned to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Calkins of North Wilbraham were guests of relatives here Sunday.

Arthur Moore of the Wenimisset was the week-end guest of his family in Springfield.

Frank Rogers of Main street, who has been in the Hampden hospital, is recovering rapidly.

Miss Mary Calvert of Whitinsville was a guest the last of the week of friends in this village.

John Foley of Worcester was the Sunday guest of his mother, Mrs. John Foley of Springfield street.

Miss K. A. Twiss is planning to hold her millinery opening Thursday and Friday of next week.

A. Reopelle has moved his family from School street to the Accorsi block on Main street.

Miss Frances Hartnett of Springfield spent Saturday with her mother on the Belchertown road.

Miss Rachel Chambers of Springfield was the Sunday guest of her parents on the Belchertown road.

The Ladies' Aid of the U. E. church held their regular meeting Wednesday afternoon in Recreation Hall.

Rehearsals are under way for the drama to be given after Lent for the benefit of the Three Rivers Firemen.

Mrs. Horace Buskey of Main street returned the last of the week from a visit with relatives in Northampton.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Willis and son Milton of Springfield street were Sunday guests of relatives in Springfield.

Mrs. James Lassells of West Springfield was a guest the first of the week of her father on the Belchertown road.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Kendall of Springfield street are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son Friday.

Miss Gertrude Hartnett, teacher in grade 4 in Bondsville, was ill at her home on Main street the first of the week.

Miss Lila Buskey of Main street and Miss Inez Tannebrink of Springfield street spent Friday in Northampton.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur LaRose and children of Springfield were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Longley of Main street.

Miss Martha Buzzell has returned from Washington, D. C., and resumed her duties as teacher in the grammar school here.

A large number from this village attended the St. Patrick's whist party held in Thorndike under the auspices of St. Mary's parish.

Joseph Bothwell of Montville, Ct., spent Sunday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Front street.

Miss Sarah Bothwell has returned to her studies at Westfield Normal School after spending the week-end at her home on Front street.

Edson Walker has returned to his home on Kelly street from the Wing Memorial Hospital, where he was being treated for neuritis.

Mr. and Mrs. George Warfield returned Monday from Rhode Island, where they were called by the death of Mr. Warfield's father.

Mr. and Mrs. William Daly and son of Thorndike were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Daley on Springfield street.

Miss Rachel Shaw and Miss Bertha Pulsifer of Springfield were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Shaw at their home on Main street Sunday.

There is considerable talk of forming a baseball team here for the coming season. There will be a meeting in the near future for the purpose of organizing.

Miss Mary Riddle and Miss Marion LaBelle of Palmer road returned the last of the week from Milbury, where they have been employed the last three weeks.

A number of the firemen were called Saturday noon to fight a large brush fire near the Motyka farm on the

Wilbraham road. There have been a number of brush fires within the last few weeks.

The program for the Idle Hour theatre will be as follows: Thursday night, "Trey o' Hearts," in two parts, with the three usual reels of comedy and drama; there will also be a vocal solo by Miss Louise Miller. Saturday there will be shown "The Exploits of Elaine" in two reels, "Our Mutual Girl," and three other good reels.

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Monson News.

Special Town Meeting Monday.

Permanent Roads and Memorial Hall Rent Most Important Articles.

The warrant for the special town meeting to be held in Memorial Hall next Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock was posted Saturday and contains 4 articles: (1) to choose a moderator; (2) to see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for permanent roads and petition the Massachusetts Highway Commission for a like sum; (3) to see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to dispose of the old spraying outfit; (4) to see if the town will furnish, free of charge, the main room of Memorial Hall for entertainments given by the King's Daughters and Monson Improvement Society, or take any other action thereon. Articles 2 and 4 have called forth a wide variation of opinions, and there will probably be a large attendance at the meeting on this account. The most prominent question, is "Where shall the money for highways be spent?" there being so many places in need of permanent road.

Forest Fires Do Damage.

Two Get Beyond Control in March Winds Others Start Mysteriously.

Elmer Pease lost control of a brush fire on his farm on the Hampden road Tuesday and about four acres of timber and sprout land belonging to Mrs. H. D. Moulton were burned over. William H. Bancroft, who lives on the Jack Robbins place between the Stafford upper and lower roads, went through a similar experience Monday, and a large tract of land belonging to him, George Colburn and A. H. Burdick was burned over before fire wardens extinguished the blaze. A forest fire was also in progress Monday west of Carpenter Bros. farm on East Hill, where a good sized tract was burned over but little damage was done. Silver Street farmers also fought a brush fire Monday in their district. A permit to burn does not always insure neighboring woodland from destruction.

Death of John O'Brien.

John O'Brien, 62, died at his home on Bridge street Monday morning of Bright's disease after an illness of six months. Mr. O'Brien was born in Ireland in October, 1852, and came to this country as a young man, settling for a short time at Blackstone. Following his residence there he came to Monson and had since resided here. Twenty-seven years ago he married Miss Annie M. Carney of Webster, who survives him. He also leaves two sisters and a brother, Mrs. Charles Callahan of Monson, Mrs. Nicholas Hanley of San Francisco, and Michael C. O'Brien of Monson. The funeral was held at the home Wednesday morning, followed by a requiem mass at St. Patrick's church. Burial was in Thorndike.

Hungry, and Stole Muff.

An unknown man of about 35 years of age was arrested in Buckley's lunch room on Main street yesterday by Officer McDonald for larceny of a muff from Heimann & Lichten's straw factory. The man applied at the office for work but found none. One of the office force noticed him leaving with something under his coat, and Officer McDonald rounded him up at the lunch room with a muff belonging to Miss Viola Williams in his possession. Hunger and lack of employment were causes of the theft, according to the man.

The Fortnightly Club will meet with Mrs. Lillian L. Chapin next Monday afternoon.

The Universalist Ladies' Circle will meet in the church parlors next Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Lucy Newell of Union, Ct., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Horton of Washington street. Mrs. Horton is ill at her home.

Over 70 sat down at the joint banquet of Court Monson, Foresters of America and Granite Circle, companions of the Forest, at the Century Hotel last evening. James J. Burdick was toastmaster, and several grand lodge officers were present and spoke. Music and dancing followed the speaking.

Mrs. A. D. Norcross has returned from a two-months' trip to the Pacific coast. Mrs. Norcross visited both of the California expositions and returned by the way of Portland, Ore., and Minneapolis, Minn., stopping in the latter city to visit Mrs. Hillary Gage Murray.

Mrs. Ella E. (Bowen) Laird died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Allen, at North Monson Monday at 12.10. Besides her husband she is survived by her parents and two sisters, Mrs. Harry E. Morgan of Athol and Mrs. George Maynard of Hubbardston. The funeral was from the home yesterday afternoon, with burial in the No. 1 cemetery. The bearers were F. H. Allen, W. B. Rice, W. E. Embair and G. E. Dunham. There were many beautiful floral tributes from neighbors and friends.

School Cost Per Pupil.

Price Monson Pays Compared With Other Towns of About Same Size.

In connection with matters pertaining to the education of Monson children in the public schools has come the statement that the \$20,000 or more spent for such purposes is excessive when compared with the total appropriation of the town, or when the population of Monson and particularly the number of school children she has is considered.

With this statement in view the table given below has been compiled from the report of the State Board of Education for the year ending in June, 1913. Towns from 5200 population to 4200 have been taken, with their appropriations for that year. These sums do not include any new outlay for buildings, equipment and the like, but only support. Monson shows the lowest appropriation in the list by \$4000. Another and even fairer comparison is the cost per pupil per year, based on average attendance. Here Monson is fourth from the lowest out of the 16 towns.

Town.	Popula- tion.	Appropri- ation.	Cost per Pupil.
Easton.	5,139	\$11,835	\$41.89
Fairhaven.	5,122	43,550	56.82
Amherst.	5,112	26,370	29.33
Needham.	5,026	40,770	39.33
Chelmsford.	5,010	34,025	34.35
Hingham.	4,995	35,250	40.19
Ludlow.	4,948	31,058	43.08
Lexington.	4,918	44,005	47.83
South Hadley.	4,884	27,254	29.75
Walpole.	4,882	35,010	34.35
Canton.	4,797	27,416	45.69
Monson.	4,758	20,899	32.49
Millbury.	4,740	24,295	30.81
Barnstable.	4,676	35,672	45.91
Uxbridge.	4,571	26,083	27.90
Dartmouth.	4,378	29,411	38.80

Boys to Have Club.

George W. French, physical instructor at the Academy, has started a campaign of activity among the boys of the 7th, 8th and 9th grades of the public schools. He will meet the boys Friday nights at the Bungalow, where games will be played and other activities engaged in. Last Friday night the boys were given the use of the Holmes Gymnasium at the Academy.

Following is a brief of Mr. French's idea in the boys' club work:

Object: To offer boys of all classes a chance of meeting once a week under proper discipline; to become interested in a common aim; to maintain a high standard of habits and morals and to elevate the same of all boys from 10 to 16 years; to take pride in their own organizations, which will be free from prevalent town evil; in fact, the making of better future citizens is the ultimate aim of all such work.

Such work is being pushed successfully in many towns and Mr. French feels that there is a field for such activity in Monson. Miss E. R. Holmes, upon being asked by several of the boys themselves, gave the use of the Bungalow rent free. Games, mats for athletics, etc., will be provided if the general public are interested enough to help supply them. In fact, parental and public interest is the greatest need the movement has. Mr. French will gladly outline his work in detail to any parent, and wants their hearty co-operation in trying to make more manly, upright boys, self-dependant, loyal, thrifty, cheerful boys, fond of out-of-door life, kind to animals, fair in the work and play.

Death of Olney Squier.

Olney Squier, 29, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Squier of Silver Street, died at his mother's home Monday night after several weeks' illness. He was born in Monson and had always resided here. He leaves, beside his mother, one son, Jesse of Agawam, and four sisters, Mrs. Thomas Dyer of Central Village, Ct., Mrs. Winthrop Kibbe of Killington, Ct., Mrs. Lillian Powers of Coventry, R. I., and Mrs. Everett Washburn of Plainfield, Ct. The funeral was held from the home yesterday afternoon, Rev. W. A. Kilmer officiating; burial was in East Wilbraham.

Mrs. F. W. Ellis gave a party at her home on Oak street Saturday evening in honor of the faculty of Monson Academy.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Entwistle and Mrs. Frank O. Bardwell have returned from a several days' visit with friends in Boston.

The annual business meeting of the Dorcas society will be held in the Congregational church parlors next Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

There will be a bridge whist party in the Quabog Country Club house next Tuesday evening. The committee in charge are Miss Holmes, Miss Wingat, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Flynt, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Cushman.

Tree Warden H. W. Squires and the Central Massachusetts Electric Company's squad of trouble men removed a large elm on Washington street Saturday. The tree was killed by the Heimann & Lichten factory fire.

The Monson Improvement Society will conduct a vigorous campaign throughout the town the coming week to increase the membership and also to swell the district nurse fund. The society is open to any man, woman or child of Monson who has the welfare of the town at heart, and the society's officers and marshalling recruits preparatory to the spring campaign.

Municipal Playground Again.

Land of A. D. Norcross, Including Tennis Court, Secured For Season.

Supt. F. A. Wheeler has rented for another year the lot owned by A. D. Norcross on State street and used as a playground for school children last year. The agreement this year includes Mr. Norcross' tennis court near the Monson Garage. Arrangements have been made whereby the young men of the Monson baseball association will use the municipal field for practice and can hold Saturday afternoon games there. Timothy O'Connell is manager of the Monson team.

F. L. Hitchcock is ill at his home on the Palmer road.

Charles A. Bradway spent the weekend in Boston and Ashland.

Miss Bertha Reynolds of Becket is visiting Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Capen.

Sterry Converse of Portsmouth, N. H., a former resident, is visiting friends in town.

Bernice L. Broadbent is ill at the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer with rheumatic fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Cushman have returned from a several days' stay in New York city.

There will be an illustrated lecture in the Methodist church Sunday evening on "Evangeline."

The King's Daughters will hold a food and candy sale in the Methodist church Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Woman's Relief Corps held a whist party in G. A. R. Hall Tuesday evening which was well attended and much enjoyed.

Rev. Abram Conklin will be the speaker at the fifth of the Lenten services at the Congregational church this evening. His theme will be, "Helps from Within."

St. Patrick's church will observe Peace Sunday next Sunday with masses at 8 a. m. and 10.45. There will also be a special service at 7. The entire congregation will receive communion at the first mass.

A number of the local court of Foresters are planning to form a baseball team and join a proposed league comprised of teams from courts in Palmer, Warren, Spencer, and other neighboring towns. Court Monson has some good baseball material in their number.

SILVER STREET NOTES.

The East Wilbraham Social Circle held its monthly meeting with Esther Calkins at her home in East Wilbraham Tuesday evening. Music and games were enjoyed.

The Embroidery Club will meet next Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Howard Edson.

Called His Papa Down.

Little Willy is a bright boy and a saucy boy. His apt answers have often turned away wrath and often turned it upon him strongly. The other day his father was reprimanding him for some misdeed, and Willy was answering very saucily. The father became very angry and, seizing the youngster by the collar, said: "See here, young man, you must not talk like that to me. I never gave my father impudence when I was a boy." Willy was not fazed at all. With a cherubic smile he looked into papa's eyes and said, "But, papa, maybe your father didn't need it." 'Twas all off. Willy escaped punishment, while papa retired to another room.

Naming the Mississippi.

The Mississippi river had more than a dozen native names, different designations being given at different points in its course. The Algonquins called it the Meeche Sebe, other tribes termed it Chucagua, Mico, Tumalasen, Tapala Rl and other names. The Algonquin name was finally adopted by the whites for the whole river. The meaning is "father of waters," or "the whole river." Twenty-seven spellings are noted in the writings of early explorers.—Minneapolis Journal.

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Tell Him No Fine Yarns.

"Men never brag to me about how much money they have."
"They don't. Who are you?"
"I'm a bill collector."—Detroit Free Press.

Look Ahead!

There are some persons who ride all through the journey of life with their backs to the horse's head. They are always looking into the past. They are forever talking about the good old times and how different things were when they were young. There is no romance in the world now, and no heroism. The very winters and summers are nothing to what they used to be. In fact, life is altogether on a small, commonplace scale. Now, that is a miserable sort of thing. It brings a kind of paralyzing chill over life and petrifies the natural spring of joy that should be forever leaping up to meet the fresh new mercies that the day keeps bringing.—Exchange.

Swiss Glaciers.

As the Matterhorn is the grandest object to be seen in Switzerland, so also are the glaciers above Zermatt the most magnificent. In the Oberland and at Chamonix the glaciers are frozen rivers and cataracts. From the Gorner Grat the glaciers are vast seas of ice, with ledges of rocky beach, over which the frozen breakers are beating. The Aletsch and the Rhone glaciers are grand frozen torrents of immense volume, and the ice fields of the Mont Blanc range are of vast extent, but it is from the Gorner Grat, where the spectator is surrounded by frozen seas, out of which the snow peaks rise, like islands, that the imagination is overpowered by stupendous glacial effects.

Life Amid Deathlike Stillness.

In the rainless interior of Australia there is a "silence of the grave." This deathlike silence has a peculiarly depressing effect. If two men are camped and one of them goes to a distant township to get provisions while the other remains behind to look after the camp, the man who is to remain says to his friend in forcible, gold fields language: "Now, Bill, don't be long away. You know what kind of a place this is to live in by yourself," or words to that effect. If his mate is away for two or three days the silence gets on the man's nerves and in the end he shouts to make a noise. And often he is afraid of the sound of his own voice.—Exchange.

Obedying Orders.

"See America first!" didactically quoted the professor.
"I have already done so," replied J. Fuller Gloom. "I was born here."—Age.

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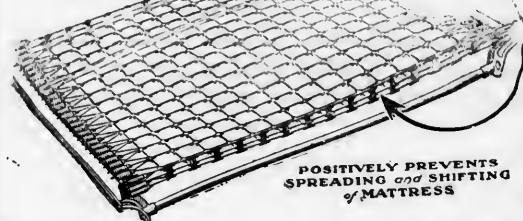
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laid down for myself. If only we all might go through life with that idea! There wouldn't be any gossip or scandal, then."

"Some day I am going to tell you why I have lived over here all these years."

"I shouldn't, not if it hurts you." "On the contrary, there's a kind of happiness in unburdening one's conscience. I called that day in Rangoon for the express purpose of telling you everything, but I couldn't in the presence of a third person."

"But always remember that I haven't asked you."

"No. What I am trying to convince you with is that I trust you, and that I give you my friendship without reservations."

He laid his hand on hers, strongly. "God bless you for that!"

She liked him because there was lacking in his words and tones that element of flattery so distasteful to her.

"Would you like to sit next to me at the table?"

"May I?" eagerly.

"I'll have Martha change her chair for yours. Do you speak Italian?"

"Enough for ordinary conversation. It is a long time since I have spoken that tongue."

"Then, let us talk it as much as possible at the table, if only to annoy those around us."

Craig had been eyeing the two, evilly. Set the wind in that direction? An idea found soil in his mind, and grew. He would put a kink, as he vulgarly expressed it, into that affair. He himself wasn't good enough for her. The little cat should see. Warrington's ultimatum of the night before burned and rankled, and a man of Craig's caliber never accepted the inevitable without meditating revenge, revenge of a roundabout character, such as would insure his physical safety. There was nothing loyal or generous or worthy in the man. There is something admirable in a great racial; but a sordid one is a pitiful thing. Craig entered the room and ordered a peg. At luncheon he saw them sitting together, and he smothered a grin. Couldn't play cards, or engineer a pool, eh? All right. There were other amusements.

That afternoon Martha chanced to sit down in a vacant chair, just out of the range of the cricketers. She lolled back and idly watched the batsmen. And then she heard voices.

"She is Elsa Chetwood. I remember seeing her pictures. She is a society girl, very wealthy, but something of a snob."

Martha's ears tingled. A snob, indeed, because she minded principally her own affairs!

"They think because they belong to the exclusive sets they can break as many laws of convention as they please. Well, they can't. There's always some scandal in the papers about

the will pass out of my existence, admitting that they have ever entered it. I repeat, my life is all my own, and that I am concerned only with those whom I wish to retain as my friends. Gossip is the shibboleth of the mediocre, and, thank heaven, I am not mediocre."

While dressing for dinner Elsa discovered a note on the floor of her cabin. The writing was unfamiliar. She opened it and sought first the signature. Slowly her cheeks reddened, and her lips twisted in disdain. She did not read the note, but the natural keenness of her eye caught

the name of Warrington. She tore the letter into scraps which she tossed out of the port-hole. What a vile thing the man was! He had had the effrontery to sign his name. He must be punished.

It was as late as ten o'clock when she and Warrington went up to the bow and gazed down the cut-water. Never had she seen anything so weirdly beautiful as the ribbons of phosphorescence which fell away on each side, luminously blue and flaked with dancing starlike particles, through which, ever and anon, flying fish, dripping with the fire, spun outward like tongues of flame.

"Often, when I was stoking, during an hour or so of relief, I used to steal up here and look down at the mystery, for it will ever be a mystery to me. And I found comfort."

"Are you religious, too?"

"In one thing, that God demands that every man shall have faith in himself."

How deep his voice was as compared to Arthur. Elsa frowned at the rippling magic. Why was she invariably comparing the two men? What significance did it have upon the future, since, at the present moment, it was not understandable?

"There is a man on board by the name of Craig," she said. "I advise you to beware of him."

"Who introduced him to you?" The anger in his voice was very agreeable to her ears. "Who dared to?"

"No one. He introduced himself on the way up to Mandalay. In Rangoon I closed the acquaintance, such as it was, with the aid of a hat pin."

"A hat pin! What did he say to you?" roughly.

"Nothing that I care to repeat."

Stop! I am perfectly able to take care of myself. I do not need any valiant champion."

"He has spoken to you about me?"

"A letter. I saw only his name and yours. I tore it up and threw it overboard. Let us go back. Somehow, everything seems spoiled. I am sorry I spoke."

"I shall see that he does not bother you again," ominously.

They returned to the promenade deck in silence.

When Warrington found Craig the man was helplessly intoxicated. He lay sprawled upon his mattress, and the kick administered did not stir him. Warrington looked down at the sodden wretch moodily.

Craig's intoxication was fortunate for him, otherwise he would have been roughly handled; for there was black murder in the heart of the broken man standing above him. Warrington relaxed his clenched hands. This evil-breathing thing at his feet was the primal cause of it all, he and a man's damnable weakness. Of what use his new-found fortune? Better for him had he stayed in the jungle, better have died there, hugging his poor delusion. Oh, abysmal fool that he had been!

(Continued Next Week.)



She Stopped at the Rail.

them. There was some rumor of her being engaged to the duke of What's-his-name, but it fell through because she wouldn't settle a fortune on him. Only sensible thing she ever did, probably."

"And did you notice who sat next to her at luncheon?"

"A gentleman with a past, Mr. Craig tells me."

"I dare say Miss Chetwood has a past, too, if one but knew. To travel alone like this!"

"Busybodies! Martha rose indignantly and returned to the other side of the deck. She had lived too long with Elsa not to have learned self-repression, and that the victory is always with those who stoop not to answer. Nevertheless, she was alarmed. Elsa must be warned."

All Elsa said was: "My dear Martha, in a few days they and their little-tat-

How Words Change.

A century and a half ago "fun," a word of Irish origin, was considered "shockingly low." "Mob," too, was a word "no self-respecting gentleman would use" till Pope boldly wrote "the mob of gentlemen who write with ease." Of "humbug" a writer in 1750 said: "I will venture to affirm that this 'humbug' is neither an English word nor a derivative from any other language. It is, indeed, a blackguard sound. It is a fine makeweight in conversation, and some great men deceive themselves so egregiously as to think they mean something by it."

A Desperate Charge.

"They charged like demons," said the retired colonel excitedly. "I never saw anything to touch it. The way they charged positively staggered me." "Whom does he mean?" whispered the man who had just come in to his neighbor. "Is he talking about one of his old battles?" "No," replied the other. "He's talking about the holiday he spent at the Swiss hotel."—Liverpool Mercury.

A Devotee.

She had a vast amount of money, but it had come to her quite recently. One day an acquaintance asked her if she were fond of art. "Fond of art!" she exclaimed. "Well, I should say I was. If I am ever in a city where there's an art gallery I never fail to visit it."—Lippincott's.

Inevitable Displeasure.

"There is no use of trying to please everybody," said the ready-made philosopher.

"But you don't make an effort of any kind."

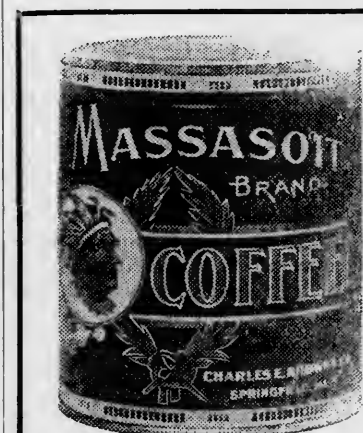
"There you are! You blame me for being absolutely harmless!"—Washington Star.

One Brand.

"Mary," queried the teacher, "can you tell me what human nature is?" "Yes, ma'am," was the reply. "It's people before they get into society."—Chicago News.

Among Those Present.

"Did Blinks exhibit at the horse show?" "Well, he made an ass of himself."—Philadelphia Ledger.



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ate a Hearty Dinner, Then Died With Acute Indigestion

According to Dr. J. O. Limerell, of New York, an eminent authority and writer on several branches of medicine and surgery, the percentage of deaths in this country from acute indigestion has shown a startling gain in the past five years.

In an interview, he recently made the statement that acute indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble, was carrying off more prominent men than any other one disease. It was only recently that a well-known man sat down to a hearty dinner and had scarcely finished when he threw up his hands and fell back, dead. No one should flirt with disaster when he knows he is taking chances on nearly everything he eats, because it is so easy to be on the safe side. GASTROIDS is a wonderful new preparation made by a famous New York physician and chemist for stomach troubles. It drives out the gases, sweetens the stomach, neutralizes the acids, prevents fermentation and assists the stomach to digest the food. You can eat anything, then chew up one of these magical little brown tablets and your body will derive the full benefit of your food, without any pain, nausea or belching. No other digestive medicine ever prescribed acts as this does. Safeguard yourself now and eat anything. All druggists or from Curtis Chemical Company, 117 East 24th Street, New York City, for 10c, 25c, or 50c. Don't forget, ask for GASTROIDS.

Bismarck and Russian.

Although Bismarck knew Russian well, he declined to take any notice of dispatches addressed to the German foreign office in that language.

"My predecessor," he once related, "wrote to all the diplomatists in German, and they replied each in his own language—Russian, Spanish, Swedish and what not. I decided that all communications received in languages other than German, French, English and Italian should be left unnoticed."

"Budberg, the Russian ambassador in Berlin, wrote me screeed after screeed always in Russian. No answer was returned, and at last he came to ask the reason for my silence. 'There is a great pile of documents in Russian downstairs,' I told him. 'Yours are probably among them.'"

"We have no one who understands Russian, and I have given instructions for all documents written in a language we do not understand to be put away in the archives." It was then arranged that Budberg should write to us in French."—New York Sun.

England's Most Famous Bell.

In 1858 the world famous bell "Big Ben," which peals out the hours in the tower of the Westminster houses of parliament in London, was turned out of the mold "Big Ben" was named after Sir Benjamin Hall, commissioner of works, who was a man of enormous stature. The great sounding instrument was formally christened "St. Stephen," but from the first it was popularly called "Big Ben." The bell was designed by E. B. Denison, who later became Lord Grimthorpe. The first attempt to mold the bell was a failure, and it was broken up, and the same material, twenty-two parts copper and seven tin, was used in the second casting at Whitechapel. "Big Ben" weighs thirteen and a half tons, is nineteen feet and six inches in diameter and seven feet and ten inches in height. The clapper weighs 600 pounds. "Big Ben" cracked shortly after he was hung in place, but his tones, previously somewhat mournful and disreputable, were improved by the accident.

Degeneration of the House.

No jokes are better appreciated than those that are made unwittingly by sober minded men.

Not long ago a solemn member of congress was holding forth in that body in a pessimistic strain about what he felt to be a great falling off in the character and standing of that august body.

"Since I came into this house four years ago," he announced with the utmost gravity, "the confidence of the public in it has much diminished."—Philadelphia Ledger.

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PAY FOR FOREST FIRES.

Selectmen Change Rate to be Given Fire Fighters.

FORMERLY PAID A FLAT RATE OF \$2

Will in Future Get 30 Cents per Hour From Time of Leaving House Until Return.

Members of the fire department and others who have in the past fought fires in the town of Palmer at \$2 per, will in the future receive compensation at the rate of 30 cents per hour—counting from the time they leave the engine house until their return.

For a long time the men have been paid a flat rate of \$2 for every fire outside of the fire district limits. It might be extinguished in an hour or it might take the boys a couple of days—the price was \$2 each. The rate has been a matter of question with the selectmen for some time, but as it was an "Ancient and honorable" institution they allowed it to stand until a few days ago. Before they made the change they investigated carefully and found that in no instance—so far as they were able to learn by correspondence—does any other town in this vicinity pay by the fire. On the contrary, all pay by the hour, the price ranging from 20 cents to 35 cents, with one or two 40 and one 45 cents. On the basis of this information the selectmen made the price 30 cents.

The Boston and Albany railroad has been a most strenuous "Kicker" on the \$2 per fire plan of payment. The bill for fighting forest fires which the railroad originates is paid by the railroad, after the town shows a receipt for the money expended. When a bill was sent in at \$2 per man for a fire which the railroad officials learned took only a couple of hours or so to extinguish, they immediately protested on the ground that they didn't pay any man at the rate of a dollar an hour for that kind of labor. In the end the bills were always paid, but there was much correspondence, delay, and bad feeling on the part of the railroad officials. They argued that while \$2 per fire might be fair pay on the average, most of the fires for which they paid were not long enough to warrant that price, and they were getting the "long end" of it the greater part of the time.

It is not believed that the new rate will be likely to lessen the number of men willing to fight forest fires, for they will be paid for all the time they are out, and will receive a larger sum for the all-day-and-all-night fires than previously. Another injustice which the former rate worked, was that by reason of circumstances one man might attend a greater proportion of large fires than small ones, thus working many more hours for his total than the man who happened to serve at the smaller fires and skip the big ones.

Well-Known Singer's Birthday.

Wilbur F. Miller of Ludlow 75 Years Old Last Saturday.

Wilbur F. Miller, well known in this vicinity as a choir singer and as a director of singing schools in years past, celebrated his 75th birthday Saturday evening at his home in Ludlow. Mr. Miller has not lost his voice now, but sang the solo, "The Cross and Crown," in the Methodist church at Ludlow last Sunday morning. At the conclusion of the services Mr. Miller was conducted to the platform, where Rev. L. P. Causey, pastor, presented him with an upholstered mission chair in behalf of the church, in recognition of his faithful services as choir director during the past 10 years.

Mr. Miller was born in Ludlow in 1840, the son of Col. John and Lucinda (Barton) Miller, was educated in the schools of the town and finished in Wesleyan Academy, Wilbraham. He is familiarly known in Springfield, where he is a member of numerous clubs and societies, and of E. K. Wilcox Grand Army post; he is a Knight Templar, a member of Melba Temple, Mystic Shrine, and of the Springfield Veteran Firemen's Association.

To Test Fire Alarm Saturday Noon.

A test of the fire alarm will be made at noon on Saturday, when box 36, at the Monson State Hospital, will be pulled in. This is for the purpose of testing out the chime whistle on the Wright Wire Company's mill. This has not been working satisfactorily of late, not always blowing when an alarm has been pulled in. It has been thoroughly overhauled recently however and some new parts installed, and is now expected to sound all alarms in connection with the bell on the engine house.

Schools Attendance Record.

Pupils Who Have Been Neither Absent Nor Tardy the Past Year.

The following pupils of the public schools have not been tardy nor absent during the term beginning January 4 and ending February 25:

High School.
Seniors.
Mollie Barton
Michael Cavanaugh
John Healey
Ruby Jones
Margaret McKenzie
Edna Richards
Katherine Slowick
Juniors.
Mary Bothwell
Gladys Christenson
Luella Dullahan
Edith Hamilton
Stanley Jozak
Lillian Kempton
Mary Loftus
Lewis Marcy
Arthur McCusker
Ethel Pease
Gladys Thayer
Elmer Thomas
Elmer Ritchie

Sophomores.
Helena Bothwell
James Brosnan
Donald Enman
Freshmen.
Mabel Barker
Luella Barrett
Clara Bryans
Elton Chamberlain
Gladys Crosby
Rose Fortier
Phillip Holden
Oscar Jones
William Keefe
John Luman
Louise Miller
George Parsons
Waverly Smith
Samuel Turkington
Myrtle Whitcomb

Post Graduates and Specials.
Winifred Nilan
Lanora Sullivan
Palmer Grammar School.
Grade 9.
Lydia Darby
Jerry Denning
Dominic Francesketti
Annetta Loftus
Thomas O'Connor
Grace Smith
Charles Swann
Katherine Denning
Grade 8.
Marguerite Burns
Clarence Camp
Peter Ditto
Mabel Fountain
Edward Graves
Mildred Hallingworth
Martha Johnson
Edgar Lane
George Marsh
Gertrude Pasco
Kenneth Richards
Paul Thompson

Grade 7.
Elva Bell
Dorothy Burns
James Connor
Raymond Dennis
James Flynn
Fred Francesketti
Philip Jones
Dollette LaFord
Herbert Lyon
Walter Marcy
John Pasco
Earl Shearer
Mary Sorell
Eileen Sullivan
Roy Trumble
Edith Wiström
Grade 6 and 7.
Charlotte Fillmore
Walter Dreesier
Elizabeth Dillon
Lillian Mumford
Clara Parsons
Mary Thompson
Flora Perry
Beatrice Wallace
Sophie Mendokuski
Joseph Stokely
Grade 5.
Angellina Gagliano
James Kane
Ethel Wiström
Grade 4.
Edwin Dane
Myrtle Duncan
Harvey Fortier
Victor French
Charles Hinchey
Irene Lyman
Joseph Slowick

Grade 3.
Leon Comfort
William Dillon
Rose Francesketti
George Lamothe
Wharton Morway
Earl Ranch
Frederick Sorell
Frances Viole
Grade 2.
Alver Cummings
Evelyn Duncan
Ramond Greene
Dorothy Johnson
Dorothy Roche
Alphonse Tuesday
Grade 1.
Ruth Capen
Francis Sullivan
Olive Calverly
Bernard Greenwood
Thorndike Grammar School.
Grades 9 and 8.
Mildred Cahill
Bernard Cavanaugh
Stephanie Derriago
Harold Griffin
Leslie Keith
Bernard Novak
Count Kelly
Stanley Salmon
James Sullivan
Eva Thomas
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FOSKETS MILL BURNED.

Early Saturday Morning. No Clue as to Origin.

LOSS \$8000; PARTIALLY INSURED.

One of Old Landmarks of This Section; A Mill Privilege For Over A Century.

The well-known Fosket's Mill, about three miles from Palmer on the road to Brimfield, was burned early last Saturday morning. A storehouse near by was also destroyed, as well as the contents of both buildings. A part of

MURDER IS THE CHARGE.

Man Arrested in Warren For Killing in Blackstone.

HAD REVOLVER WHEN ROUNDED UP.

Admits Shooting, But Says Was in Self Defense. Also Wanted in Utica, N. Y.

Walter A. Adamczk, 29 years of age, was arrested in Warren Sunday night by Officers Joseph St. George and William T. Haley, on the charge of murder preferred by Blackstone police. The crime was committed

Local Milk Prize Winners.

Miss Anna Wells of Palmer and Clarence B. Brown of Brimfield.

The awards made public last week in the annual milk, cream and butter show of the Massachusetts Agricultural College at Amherst have an interest for Palmer residents, in that Miss Anna M. Wells of this town received second prize in class 4, cream, with a score of 96.2; the first prize score was only 96.5. Clarence B. Brown of Brimfield was awarded third prize; his score was the same as that of Miss Wells, 96.2, but the tie was broken in her favor on bacteria. In class 2, market milk, Mr. Brown received fifth prize with a score of 91.7; the first prize score was 95. In this class R. A. Siddons of Warren was awarded fourth prize on the same score, the tie being

FIRE DISTRICT MEETING.

Request to Have the Australian Ballot Used This Year.

PRUDENTIAL COMMITTEE IS WILLING.

Names Must be Endorsed by Five Voters No Unusual Appropriations This Year.

A new departure will be made this year in the ballot for the election of officers in Fire district No. 1,—Palmer—in that, instead of the usual slip of paper bearing the names to be voted for, the Australian ballot will be used. The annual meeting of the district will be on April 13, in the afternoon in the engine house on Park street.

The change from the old form of ballot, which has been in vogue since the formation of the fire district, is made at the request of the firemen. It has been the custom in the past for them to make up a ticket for the annual meeting, and it has been years since any other nominations were made. There has been criticism of this custom at times, the argument being advanced that the property owners who support the fire department should have some voice—other than voting—in the selection of the officials. There has been nothing to prevent the presentation of more than one ticket at the election, but none ever materialized. The firemen recognize the justice of the argument and this year have asked the prudential committee of the district to prepare the ballot. They have agreed to do this, and will place on the official ballot the name of any voter of the district which is presented endorsed by five voters; names must be in the possession of some member of the prudential committee—C. L. Waid, W. E. McDonald and L. E. Chandler—before 6 o'clock in the afternoon of Friday, April 9.

The warrant for the meeting will be published next week, and if there are any special articles which it is desired to insert they should be handed to Chief Summers of the fire department by 6 o'clock next Monday evening. So far as is known no unusual appropriations will be required this year, with the possible exception of one new alarm box to replace an old one which is not working satisfactorily.

There are two questions which must be voted on however, whether the district will vote to pension laborers, and whether it will adopt the provisions of the workmen's compensation act.

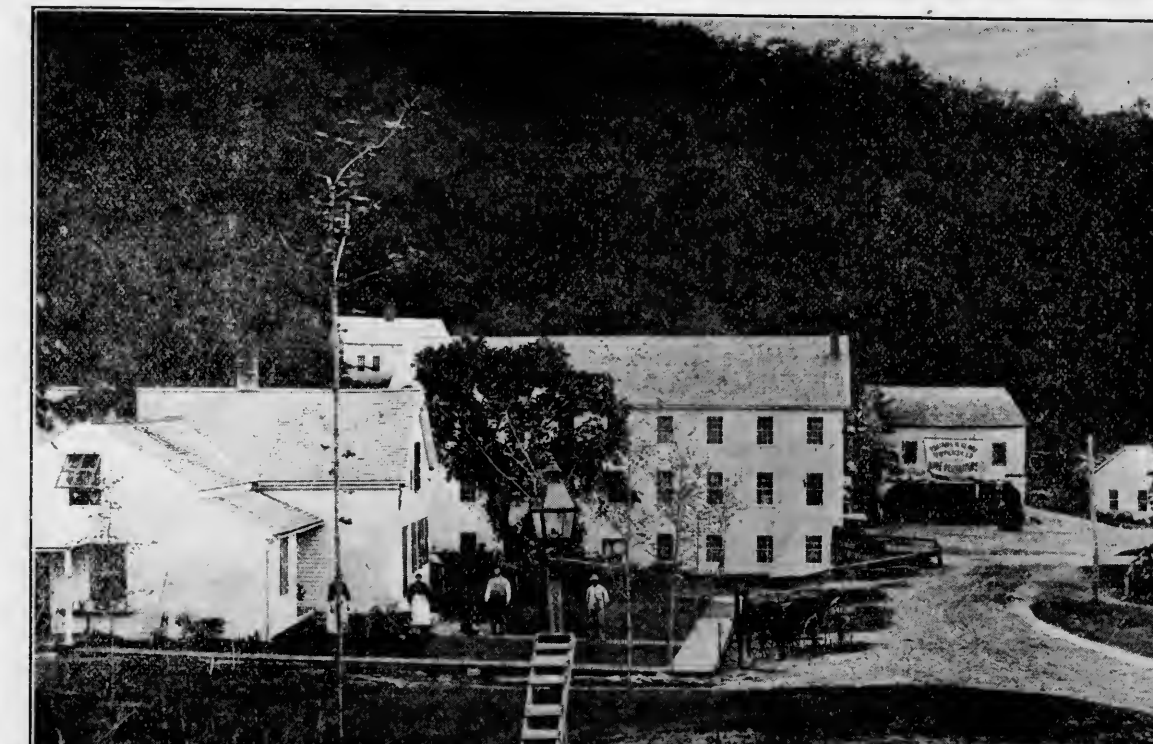
There have been suggestions that the meeting be held in the evening, so as to permit many who are engaged through the day to attend if they desire. The prudential committee feels however that this is too much of an innovation after the many years of afternoon meetings without some definite expression on the matter. An article in the warrant will permit the giving of the committee instructions on this point, and they will be glad to follow the desires of the voters in the future.

Big Audiences at "On Trial."

The outstanding success of the present theatrical season in New York is "On Trial," a melodrama that has been called by many erudite critics the best American play in a decade. "On Trial" is from the pen of Elmer L. Reizenstein, a young man heretofore unknown in the field of playwrights, nevertheless his first effort turned out to be a tremendous triumph and has placed its author in the front rank of contemporary writers. "On Trial" is entirely worthy of the attention it is attracting, if for no other reason than it tells a rational yet thrilling life story that is worked out without the usual illusions of stage craft. Then, too, a novelty is found in the author's mode of presentation. He has written the play backward so to speak, and in doing so has been accused of taking his idea from the "Movies." Be that as it may, "On Trial" is the most talked about play in years and is drawing big audiences at Court Square Theater in Springfield, where it is filling a week's engagement. The remaining performances are to-night, to-morrow and Saturday nights, with Saturday matinee.

WARREN.

The funeral of John Cunningham took place in the home last Thursday morning. A mass was celebrated in St. Paul's church by Rev. John P. McCaughan, pastor. The bearers were William T. Haley, James F. McKelligett, Daniel Cavanaugh, Patrick McBride, Patrick Naughton and William F. Duncan.



Fosket's Mills. The three-story building and the storehouse at the right were burned Saturday.

the large building was used as a store, and a considerable stock had just been put in. The property was owned by J. M. Allen of Palmer, and the loss is about \$8000, with \$4500 insurance.

The cut above shows the Fosket's Mill property. The buildings burned were the three-story mill building shown in the center, and the storehouse above an open shed a little distance away and at the right.

The fire was discovered about 2.15 by Mrs. George Morrell, who lives in the house shown in the foreground at the left of the mill building. She was awake with her small baby at 1.45 but saw nothing unusual. After dropping asleep again she was awakened by a bright light, and looking out of her room window saw the mill on fire. She at once aroused the other members of the family, and about this time the fire was also seen by Herbert Bradway, who lives close by. Mr. Morrell and Mr. Bradway were the first to reach the building, and then flames were coming out of the windows on all sides and nothing could be done to save a thing. Word was sent to the fire department at Palmer, and the auto truck took a few men to help save the adjoining buildings.

There is nothing to indicate the origin of the fire unless it was set by burglars, either by accident or to cover their entrance. Saturday forenoon a box of pipes was found under a pile of lumber some distance away which is known to have been in the store window the night before; its removal from the building after the arrival of anyone on the scene is said to have been an impossibility.

Mr. Allen bought the property in December, 1913, and expended about \$1500 in repairs, putting in a new flume and penstock, repairing the water wheels and strengthening the mill building. About a year ago he opened a store and has done a flourishing business since. A large stock, including a carload of grain, had been put in only a few days before the fire.

Mr. Allen is undecided as to the future, but it is probable that he will rebuild, using the same floor space as the burned building, but making the new structure only one story in height.

This mill site, supplied by water from the stream known formerly as the "Elbow Brook," has been utilized for saw and grist mill purposes for more than a century. The first saw mill was erected there about 1810 by Daniel Nichols, and the first grist mill was located on the opposite side of the stream a few years later by William Tucker. In due course of time the property was taken over by Daniel Wright, who sold it to Rufus Fosket in or about 1840. The two original

Sunday night in front of the Blackstone post office, when James McMahon was shot and instantly killed.

Adamczk was before the district court of East Brookfield Monday morning, but by request of his counsel the hearing was postponed until Tuesday morning, when he was arraigned on the charge of carrying a loaded revolver, which was found on his person when arrested. In court he admitted that he killed the man, who was an employee in a saloon, and whom Adamczk declared had followed him and knocked him down. Adamczk was a resident of Warren about three years ago. He will be turned over to the Blackstone authorities after a technical charge has been placed against him. He is also wanted by the police of Utica, N. Y.

NORTH WILBRAHAM.

A meeting of the Campfire Girls Club was held Monday evening at the home of Miss Katherine Cutler.

Many here are obliged to obtain water from Nine Mile pond, owing to the scarcity of water in the wells.

The body of Dickenson A. Calkins, whose death occurred in Leadville, Col., the 11th, and whose funeral was held in Palmer Saturday, was brought to East Wilbraham for burial Monday afternoon.

William Bell entertained a number of his young friends at a party in honor of his 16th birthday Monday evening at his home on Wilbraham road. Rev. William Jennings, pastor of Grace Union church, gave a talk to those present, who comprised the King's Sons. At the meeting it was voted to give a drama in the near future, and also to extend an invitation to the Young Men's Study Club of Brimfield to be guests of the King's Sons at their fourth meeting in April.

mills were replaced by a single much larger plant containing a saw and grist mill, which was erected by Charles W. Fosket in 1879; it was this structure which was burned last Saturday. On the death of C. W. Fosket it became the property of his brother, D. W. Fosket, who conducted the business with success until incapacitated by illness, when for some years it was managed by his wife, she disposing of it to J. M. Allen. In its earlier days the mill was a center of much activity, being patronized by the farmers from a wide territory, and the store supplied many of their wants. Later, when both branches declined by reason of business places installed in villages nearer the consumer, a large business was done in agricultural implements, and there was always a considerable patronage for the grist mill.

broken on visible dirt. In the contest there were entries from all parts of the state, which makes the winning of the local entries all the more noticeable.

In the potato show just closed at the college, which included state-wide entries, Andrew C. Rice of Wilbraham was awarded second prize in class B, lot 2, "Other White Varieties."

BELCHERTOWN.

Miss Hattie M. Booth, formerly of Springfield, will make her home here with her brother, Charles E. Booth.

Fire escapes have been added to the churches of the town in accordance with demands of the state authorities.

Miss Elizabeth Nichols of the Erie College faculty is spending a vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Nichols.

Twice recently fire has been discovered near the chapel at Dwight's station in time to prevent serious damage.

Miss Ethel Shea and Guernsey L. Clough, both of this town, were married at the home of the bride last evening by Rev. H. I. Bailey of the Methodist church. The bride's gown was of white silk voile and she carried a bouquet of roses.

The following officers have been chosen by the Ladies' Social Union of the Methodist church: President, Mrs. Ballou; vice presidents, Mrs. Ketchen, Mrs. Walter Morse; secretary, Mrs. Harry Conkey; treasurer, Mrs. Henry Witt.

Mrs. Harriet H. Croney, 82, widow of the late Francis A. Croney, died Saturday afternoon at the home of her son, with whom she had made her home. She leaves also another son in Ware. The funeral was held from the home Tuesday morning. Rev. Mr. Bailey officiating; burial was in Ware.

A fact of interest in this town is that among those confirmed last Sunday in St. Peter's church in Springfield, were two grandchildren of Mrs. Susan Porter, Lawrence Davis and his sister, Miss Marie Davis. The gown worn by Miss Davis was the gown worn by her great aunt 49 years ago at her graduation from LaSalle College, and was made entirely by hand by Miss Davis' great-grandmother.

HOLLAND.

A fire which started back of the cemetery swept through a portion of it last Thursday and disfigured many of the gravestones. It was only by hard and efficient work that the fire was kept from the church and parsonage.

Funeral services were held over the body of Dickenson Calkins, formerly of this town, at Phillips' undertaking rooms Monday; burial was in the East Wilbraham cemetery.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Warrington, an American adventurer, and James, his servant, with a caged parrot, the trio known up and down the Irrawaddy as Parrot & Co., travel along the road to the landing, bound for Rangoon to cash a draft for 800,000 rupees.

CHAPTER II—Elsa Chetwood, rich American girl tourist, sees Warrington come aboard the boat at the landing and, amazed at his likeness to her fiancé, Arthur Ellison, asks the purser to introduce her. Conservative English passengers are shocked at her breach of the conventionalities.

CHAPTER III—The purser tells Elsa that Warrington, the outcast adventurer, has beaten a syndicate and sold his oil claims for £20,000. Warrington, puts Rajah, the parrot, through his tricks for Elsa and warns her against acquaintance with unknown adventurers—himself, in fact.

CHAPTER IV—Warrington and Elsa pass two golden days together on the river. Martha, Elsa's companion, warns her that there is gossip.

CHAPTER V—In Rangoon Warrington banks his draft, pays old debts, and while settling with James in his old lodgings overhears and interferes in a row over cards in the next room.

CHAPTER VI—Warrington finds that the row in the next room is caused by an enemy, Newell Craig, and threatens to shoot him unless he leaves town. Elsa goes for a walk with Martha, is annoyed by Craig and stabs him with a hatpin. Warrington bids Elsa good-by. She does not tell him that she is to sail on the same ship for Singapore.

CHAPTER VII—Martha writes to Arthur Ellison of the rapidly growing friendship between Elsa and the outcast American adventurer. Warrington discovers Elsa on the Singapore steamer and realizes his hopeless love and his duty to protect her against himself. Elsa tells him of her engagement.

CHAPTER VIII—Warrington avoids Elsa, who thinks he may be ill and makes inquiries, regardless of the misinterpretation of her concern. Craig is aboard, is warned by Warrington, and calls him Paul. He tells him that his chivalry and loyalty of ten years before have gone for nothing.

CHAPTER IX—Warrington ceases to avoid Elsa. Craig stirs up evil gossip. Elsa tells Warrington of the hatpin incident and he hunts up Craig, on murder bent, only to find him stretched out drunk on deck.

CHAPTER X.

The Cut Direct.

It was after five in the morning when the deckhands tried to get Craig to go down to his room. With the dull obstinacy of a drunken man, he refused to stir; he was perfectly satisfied to stay where he was. The three brown men stood irresolutely and helplessly around the man. Everyone had gone below. The hose was ready to flush the deck. It did not matter; he, Craig, would not budge.

"Leave me alone, you black beggars!"

"But, sahib," began one of the Lascars, who spoke English.

"Don't talk to me. I tell you, get out!" striking at their feet with his swollen hands.

Warrington, who had not lain down at all, but who had wandered about the free decks like some lost soul from the Flying Dutchman, Warrington, hearing voices, came out of the smoke-room. A glance was sufficient. A devil's humor took possession of him. He walked over.

"Get up," he said quietly.

Craig blinked up at him from out of puffed eyes. "Go to the devil! Fine specimen to order me about."

"Will you get up peacefully? These men have work to do."

Craig was blind to his danger. "What's that to me? Go away, all of you, to the devil, for all I care. I'll get up when I get damn good and ready. Not before."

Warrington picked up the hose.

"Sahib!" cried the Lascar in protest.

"Be still!" ordered Warrington.

"Craig, for the last time, will you get up?"

"No!"

Warrington turned the key, and a deluge of cold water struck Craig full in the chest. He tried to sit up, but was knocked flat. Then he rolled over on the deck, choking and sputtering. He crawled on his hands and knees until he reached the chair-rail, which he clutched desperately, drawing himself up. The pitiless stream never swerved. It smacked against the flat of his back like the impact of a hand.

"For God's sake stop it!" cried Craig, half strangled.

"Will you go below?"

"Yes, yes! Turn it away!" sober enough by now.

Warrington switched off the key, his face humorless, though there was a sparkle of grim humor in his sleep-hungry eyes. Craig leaned against the deckhouse, shaking and panting.

"I would I could get at your soul as easily," Warrington threw aside the hose, and the Lascars sprang upon it, not knowing what the big blond sahib might do next.

Craig turned, venom on his tongue. He spoke a phrase. In an instant, cold with fury, Warrington had him by the throat.

"You low base cur!" he said, shaking the man until he resembled a man-ikin on wires. "Had you been sober last night, I'd have thrown you into the sea. Honorless dog! You wrote to Miss Chetwood. You insulted her, too. If you wish to die, speak to her again."

Craig struggled fiercely to free himself. He wasn't sure, by the look of the other man's eyes, that he wasn't going to be killed then and there. There was something cave-mannish and cruel in the way Warrington worried the man, shaking him from side to side and forcing him along the deck. Suddenly he released his hold, adding a buffet on the side of the head that sent Craig reeling and sobbing into the companionway.

"Here, I say, what's the row?"

Warrington looked over his shoulder. The call had come from the first officer.

"A case of drunkenness," coolly.

"But I say, we can't have brawling on deck, sir. You ought to know that."



"You Low, Base Cur!"

If the man's conduct was out of order, you should have brought your complaint before the captain or me. We really can't have any rowing, sir."

Warrington replied gravely: "Expeditious was quite necessary."

"What's this?" The officer espied the soaked bedding. "Who turned the hose here?"

"I did," answered Warrington.

"I shall have to report that to the captain, sir. It's against the rules aboard this steamship for passengers to touch anything of that sort." The officer turned and began violently to abuse the bewildered Lascars.

Warrington entered the companionway; and a moment later he heard the water hiss along the deck. He was not in the least sorry for what he had done; still, he regretted the act. Craig was a beast, and there was no knowing what he might do or say. Still dressed, he flung himself in his bunk, and immediately fell into a heavy dreamless sleep that endured until luncheon.

Shortly after luncheon he was summoned to the captain's cabin. Warrington presented himself, mildly curious. The captain nodded to a stool.

"Sit down, Mr. Warrington. Will you have a cheroot?"

"Yes, thanks."

A crackle of matches followed.

"This fellow Craig has complained about his treatment by you this morning. I fancy you were rather rough with him."

"Perhaps. He was very drunk and abusive, and he needed cold water more than anything else. I once knew the man."

"Ah! But it never pays to manhandle that particular brand of tippler. They always retaliate in some way."

"I suppose he has given you an excerpt from my history?"

"He says you cannot return to the States."

"I am returning on the very first boats I can find."

"Then he was lying?"

"Not entirely. I do not know what he has told you, and I really do not care. The fact is, Craig is a professional gambler, and I warned him not to try any of his tricks on board. It soured him."

"And knowing myself that he was a professional, I gave no weight to his accusations. Besides, it is none of my business. The worst scoundrel unhung has certain rights on my ship. If he behaves himself, that is sufficient for me. Now, what Craig told me doesn't matter; but it matters that I warned him. A word to anyone else, and I'll drop him at Penang tomorrow, to get out the best way he can. Ships passing there this time of year are generally full-up. Will you have a peg?"

"No, thanks. But I wish to say that it is very decent of you," Warrington rose.

"I have traveled too long not to recognize a man when I see him. Drop in any night after ten, if you care to."

"I shall be glad to accept your hospitality."

Outside, Warrington sought Elsa, and as they promenade, lightly recounted the episode of the morning.

Elsa expressed her delight in laughter that was less hearty than malicious. How clearly she could see the picture! And then, the ever-recurring comparisons: Arthur would have gone on, Arthur would not have bothered himself, for he detested scenes, and

fastidiously. How few real men she had met, men who walked through life naturally, unfettered by those self-applied manacles called "what will people say?"

"Let us go up to the bow," she invited. "I myself have a little story to tell."

A school of porpoise were frolicking under the cutwater. Pop! pop! they went. Finally all save one sank gracefully out of sight. The laggard crisscrossed the cutwater a dozen times, just to show the watchers how extremely clever he was; and then, with a pop! that was louder than any previous one, he vanished into the deeps.

"I love these oriental seas," said Elsa, with her arms on the rail and her chin resting upon them. She wore no hat, and her hair shimmered in the sun and shivered in the wind.

"And yet they are the most treacherous of all seas. There's not a cloud in sight; in two hours from now we may be in the heart of a winter storm."

"I am grateful for that Mercy! Think of being shipwrecked on a desert island with the colonel and his three spinsters! Proprietaries, from morning until night. And the chattering tourists! Heaven forbid!"

"You had a story to tell me," he suggested. His heart was hot within him. He wanted to sweep her up in his arms and hold her there forever. But the barrier of wasted opportunities stood between.

"Oh, yes; I had almost forgotten." She stood up and felt for wandering strands of hair. "I find the world more amusing day by day. I ought to feel hurt, but I am only amused. I spoke to the colonel this morning, merely to say how-do. He stared me in the eye and deliberately turned his back to me."

"The doddering old—"

"There, there! It isn't worth getting angry about."

"But, don't you understand? It's all because of me. Simply because you have been kind to a poor devil, they start in to snub you, you! I'll go back to my old seat at the table. You mustn't walk with me any more."

"Don't be silly. If you return to your chair, if you no longer walk with me, they'll find a thousand things to talk about. Since I do not care, why should you?"

"Can't I make it clear to you?" desperately.

"I see with reasonable eyes, if that is what you mean. The people I know, mine own people, understand Elsa Chetwood."

So her name was Elsa? He repeated it over and over in his mind.

She continued her exposition.

"There are but few, gently born. They are generous and broadminded. They could not be mine own people otherwise. They are all I care about. I shun mediocrity as I would the plague. I refuse to permit it to touch me, either with words or with deeds. The good opinion of those I love is dear to me; as for the rest of the world!" She snapped her fingers to illustrate how little she cared.

"I am a man under a cloud, to be avoided."

"Perhaps that cloud has a silver lining," with a gentle smile. "I do not believe you did anything wrong, premeditatedly. All of us, one time or another, surrender to wild impulse. Perhaps in the future there awaits for me such a moment. I cannot recollect the name of Warrington in a cause celebre," thoughtfully.

He could only gaze at her dumbly.

"My name is not Warrington," finding his voice. God in heaven, what would happen when she found out what his name was? "But my first name is Paul."

"Paul. I have had my suspicions that your name was not Warrington. But tell me nothing more. What good would it do? I did not read that man's letter. I merely noted your name and his. You doubtless knew him somewhere in the past."

"Might there not be danger in your kindness to me?"

"In what way?"

"A man under a cloud is often reckless and desperate. There is always an invisible demon calling out to him: 'What's the use of being good? You are the first woman of your station who has treated me as a human being; I do not say as an equal. It's a heady wine for an abstemious man. Don't you realize that you are a beautiful woman?'"

She looked up into his eyes quickly, but she saw nothing there indicating flattery, only a somber gravity.

"I should be silly to deny it. I know that had I been a trump, the colonel would not have snubbed me. I wonder why it is that in life beauty in a woman is always looked upon with suspicion?"

"Envy provokes that."

She resumed her inclination against the rail again. "After Singapore it is probable that we shall not meet again. I admit, in my world, I could not walk upon this free and easy ground. I should have to ask about your antecedents, what you have done, all about you, in fact. Then, we should sit in judgment."

"And condemn me, off-hand. That would be perfectly right."

"But I might be one of the dissenting judges."

"That is because you are one woman in a thousand."

"No; I simply have a mind of my own, and often prefer to be guided by it. I am not a sheep."

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Swagger Coats of all-wool covert, plaited back and belted in, collar trimmed with velvet, \$25.00

Fine Tailored Coats of mixtures in smart new styles—\$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.50

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Charming Easter Blouses

Beautiful showing of Easter Blouses in the very latest models, including several special purchases marked at special prices.

Handsome Crepe de Chine Blouses with embroidered front two-in-one collar, in all the popular shades—\$2.98

Crepe de Chine and Pussy Willow Taffeta Blouses, embroidered and plain tucked models, in white, flesh, gray, sand and maize—\$3.98

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Crepe de Chine in plain and embroidered models, in white, flesh and maize—\$1.98

Georgette Crepe Blouses, that launder so easily, in high or low neck models, lace trimmed or plain tucked, in white, flesh, and Delaware peach—\$4.98

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Handsome Chiffon Taffeta Silk Petticoats with the new circular flounce trimmed with three plaited ruffles, in all the new shades. Special values at—\$2.98

Messaline and Taffeta Petticoats trimmed with three narrow plaited ruffles, at—\$3.45

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"Wunderseam" Silk Messaline Petticoats, showing seam joined with a jersey strip, guaranteed not to break on seams. Made with full flare flounce and six small plaited ruffles, in all the popular shades, \$3.98

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In our department of Girls' Ready-to-Wear Apparel will be found most complete assortments of all the new Spring fashions.

Girls Spring and Summer Dresses in a splendid variety of styles, including some very special values.

Smart models in pretty ginghams and plain chambrays, sizes 6 to 14—89c

Black and white check gingham suspender Dresses with linen guimpe effects of green, blue and brown, with black velvet ribbon belt, sizes 6 to 14. Special at \$2.98

Spring Coats

Girls' Spring Coats in pleasing new models in empire and plaited effects, in navy, Belgian blue and sand, also in shepherd plaids and Scotch mixtures; sizes 6 to 14—\$5.00 to \$15.00

Smart Coats for the little tots from 2 to 6 years, in navy, Belgian blue and sand serges, with pretty white pique collar and cuffs—\$4.98 to \$10.00

Smart Coats in covert cloth, fancy plaids, and navy and Belgian blue serges, in junior models—\$10.00, \$12.50 and \$15.00

Junior Dresses

Pretty Party Dresses in taffeta, crepe de chine and shadow lace with messaline combinations, in delicate shades of pink and blue—\$10.00 to \$20.00

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We Are Showing Some Remarkably Stylish Easter Hats from \$2.98 to \$8

One of the especially attractive new Hats, in fact, one of the choicest of the season is the Shepherdess with its natty dip in the front and in the back. This is made for both tailored and dressy hats as well. Prices \$2.98 to \$8.00 each

Here Are Some Choice Silk Waists for Easter Wear at \$1.95

Dainty models in a vast assortment of styles. Jap Silk, Shantung, crepe de chine and striped silks in all the leading Spring and summer colors. In over thirty different styles. At \$1.95

A New Silk Messaline Petticoat Will Help Out That Easter Wardrobe

Silk Messaline Petticoats with the new circular flounces. Come in all the newest Spring shades. Prices, \$1.67, \$1.98, \$2.98, \$3.98 and upwards.

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For a choice Dress Hat—and one that Milady will appreciate as becoming and most attractive, is the new Poke Hat. This is very new and very becoming. They're here of French chiffon or straw and beautifully trimmed with flowers and streamers.

WARE.

The selectmen have announced that all applications for liquor licenses must be in the hands of the selectmen before the first of April.

Mrs. A. G. Barber, a recently returned missionary from Egypt, occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church Sunday morning and spoke on "The Mohammedan World."

Josephine Sinowski of Water street found her three-months-old child dead in bed beside her Saturday morning. After investigation Medical Examiner W. W. Miner pronounced death due to natural causes.

A paper is being circulated by a committee of the Board of Trade for the closing of the stores on Patriot's Day, Memorial Day, July 4, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Henry F. Norton, principal of the grammar school in Enfield, was arraigned in court Friday morning on the charge of committing an unnatural act, the case being continued

from the 5th, when he had pleaded not guilty. Friday he pleaded nolo, was found guilty and paid a fine of \$250.

Holman Hoyt suffered a deep gash in his head as the result of a fall from a ladder in his garage last Thursday. He struck the hood of an automobile and was rendered unconscious. Dr. Miner attended him.

A fire in Hyman Salvage's house on Aspen street called out the fire department Sunday night. The fire started in a room in the second story and burned its way to the attic, but was soon under control. Its origin is unknown; the loss is estimated at about \$700, partly covered by insurance.

Charles Mullins was arrested by Chief Buckley early Tuesday morning on a charge of breaking and entering the foreman's cottage on the H. H. Green farm. Complaint was made to the police Monday that the man was in the neighborhood, but no trace of him could be found by the police when they arrived, but Tuesday morning they were able to track him

in the snow to the George Wheeler barn, where he was found in a hay loft. Mullins was formerly an employee on the farm.

An attempt is being made by Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner D. F. Shea to arrange with the owners of the land formerly occupied by Beaver Lake, whereby the state authorities can build a new dam at the foot of Beaver Brook and again flood the land.

Charles Brown Jr., 28, died at his home on Otis avenue Sunday evening of heart disease. He was a native of this town, was educated here, and at the time of his death was employed by the Otis Company. He is survived by a widow and one child; also by his father and one sister, Mrs. Ernest LaBalle.

Secretary George W. Dunham of the school committee says that it is virtually decided to adopt the penny savings system in the schools. This has been a subject of discussion for some time and the board has decided

Parrot & Co.

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Silence. The lap-lap of the water, the long slow rise and fall, and the darting flying-fish apparently claimed their attention.

But Warrington saw nothing save the danger, the danger to himself and to her. At any moment he might fling his arms around her, without his having the power to resist. She called to him as nothing in the world had called before. But she trusted him, and because of this he resolutely throttled the recurring desires. She was right. He had scorned what she had termed as woman's instinct. She had read him with a degree of accuracy. In the eyes of God he was a good man, a dependable man; but he was not impossibly good. He was human enough to want her, human enough to appreciate the danger in which she stood of him.

"Tell me about the man who looks like me." His gaze roved out to sea, to the white islands of vapor low-lying in the east. "In what respect does he resemble me?"

"His hair is yellow, his eyes are blue, and he smiles the same way you do."

He felt the lump rise and swell in his throat.

"If you stood before a mirror you would see him. But there the resemblance ends."

"Is he a man who does things?" a note of strained curiosity in his tones. Ten years!

"In what way do you mean?" "Does he work in the world, does he invent, build, finance?"

Mayhap her eyes deceived her, but the tan on his face seemed less brown than yellow.

"No; Mr. Ellison is a collector of paintings, of rugs, of rare books and china. He's a bit detached, as dreamers usually are. He has written a book of exquisite verses. . . . You are smiling," she broke off suddenly, her eyes filling with cold lights.

"A thousand pardons! The thought was going through my head how unlike we are indeed. I can hardly tell one master from another, all old books look alike to me, and the same with china. I know something about rugs; but I couldn't write a jingle if it was to save me from hanging."

"Do you invent, build, finance?" A bit of a gulf had opened up between them. Elsa might not be prepared to marry Arthur, but she certainly would not tolerate a covert sneer in regard to his accomplishments.

Quietly and with dignity he answered: "I have built bridges in my time over which trains are passing at this moment. I have fought torrents, and floods, and hurricanes, and myself. I have done a man's work. I had a future, they said. But here I am, a subject of your pity."

She instantly relented. "But you are young. You can begin again."

"Not in the sense you mean."

"And yet, you tell me you are going back home."

"Like a thief in the night," bitterly.

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that it will be a good thing for parents as well as pupils. C. L. Waid of Palmer spoke on the subject before the Study Club last week, and those present were satisfied as to the logic of the system as outlined by Mr. Waid.

Ware lodge No. 1438, L. O. O. M., elected the following officers at its annual meeting Sunday afternoon: Dictator, F. J. Bombard; vice dictator, Dr. James E. Kennedy; past dictator, Martin J. Cayen; prelate, George French; inside guard, Pierre Berthiaume; trustee for three years, Napoleon Lacoste. Officers will be installed in the new Moose Hall, St. Jean Block, the third Sunday in April.

Chief T. C. Gleason of the fire department has issued a warning against the practice of jumping on the fire apparatus when it is being driven to and from fires. Besides the great danger of such practice, there is also a severe penalty fixed by law for such offenders.

The fire apparatus was called to the car barn of the Ware and Brookfield Street Railway Company on the Gilbertville road Friday forenoon to a fire which destroyed the oil shed. Superintendent Lambert with a gang of men attached 200 feet of hose to the pumps in the engine house and by pumping water from the Ware river succeeded in saving the car barn, but the oil shed containing several barrels of oil, grease, gasoline and kerosene was totally destroyed. The fire is supposed to have been started by a spark from a railroad engine, which ignited the grass around the building. The fire was under control before the fire truck arrived on the scene. The loss is estimated at \$800.

HAMPDEN.

Matthias Casey has been chosen chairman of the board of assessors.

Chairman A. B. Newell of the school board is seriously ill at his home with bronchial pneumonia, and is in the care of a trained nurse.

The selectmen, who also compose the board of overseers of the poor, organized last Friday night with Charles I. Burleigh chairman and secretary. George F. Shaw was appointed inspector of slaughtering, and Clark Goodwill as undertaker.

A large number were present at the meeting of the Hampden Grange last Friday night in the town hall. The program consisted of music, readings, and the discussion of various subjects, after which a social time was enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Beers entertained the C. F. Card Club at their home Friday evening. The first prize winners were Mrs. H. H. Faulkner and Earl Worthington, and consolations were awarded to Mrs. George A. Chapin and Charles Mitchell.

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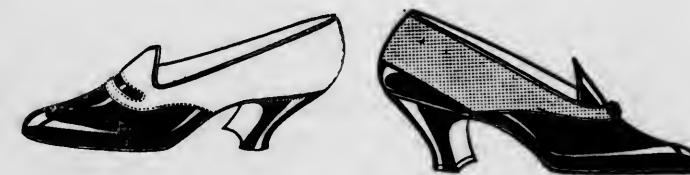


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Interesting Meeting Arranged.

Patriots of Palmer to be Considered by Historical Society.

Arrangements have been completed by the Palmer Historical Society for its next meeting, April 6, in Memorial Hall at 7.30 p. m. The evening will be devoted to the action of the patriots of Palmer in our various wars, and papers will be presented by pupils of the high school. The public is cordially invited to attend, and a large audience is hoped for. The program will be: Introduction, President D. L. Bodfish; address, "Palmer Pioneers in Early Colonial Wars," Roger C. Holden, '15; trio, selected, Miss Thelma Keith, '15, Miss Myrtle McVickar, '16, and Miss Helen Newbury, '16; address, "Palmer Patriots in the Struggle for Independence," Miss Edythe L. Twiss, '15; address, "Palmer in the Middle Period," Walter B. Mansfield, '15; selection, high school quartet; address, "Palmer's Loyalty in the Rebellion and Reconstruction Period," J. Lawrence Martin, '15; G. G. "America," sung by the audience.

Will Give Away Automobile.

Paul Kramer, clothier, in the Massasit building, Springfield, announces a unique contest, in which he will give absolutely free a 1915 Saxon roadster to the most popular young man in Springfield and vicinity. In addition he will give five other prizes in gold amounting to \$105, as follows: Second prize, \$50; third prize, \$25; fourth prize, \$15; fifth prize, \$10; sixth prize, \$5. The winner of this car and the prizes in gold will be determined by a popular voting contest, in which all shall have an equal opportunity. Every young man in Springfield and the surrounding towns will be eligible to the contest and everyone can have a chance to help his favorite candidate. Every customer of the store during this contest will be given 100 votes for every dollar expended, and to insure a good number of entries at the very start of the contest, Mr. Kramer will give 1000 votes free to everyone wishing to enter, provided he agrees to distribute among his friends 100 cards calling attention to the contest. The contest began today and these free votes will be distributed the first three days of the contest only. Mr. Kramer has filled his store with the best clothing made in America, carrying a stock larger than ever before. He promises that every vote cast will go to the rightful candidates, and no one will be given any unfair advantage of any description.

Lamb-Steele.

Miss Iva May Lamb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Lamb of Stafford, Ct., and Harry Emerson Steele of Palmer were united in marriage in Monson Tuesday evening by Rev. Abram Conklin. Miss Iva E. Lamb, a sister of the bride, and Fordis H. Steele, a brother of the groom, attended the couple. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served, after which the couple left by automobile for Palmer, where the evening was spent at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Steele. Mr. Steele is well known here, being in the automobile business in company with his father. Mr. and Mrs. Steele will make their home here at 19 Knox street.

Palmer Boys Robbed in Boston.

Harold K. Taylor, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Taylor of Thorndike street, and Robert Laird, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Laird of North Main street, had an exciting and unpleasant experience Tuesday morning, when they were visited by a robber at their boarding place. Laird awoke and saw someone putting on an overcoat; his first thought was that it was Taylor, but he quickly discovered his error. He woke Taylor and they made an effort to secure the intruder, but the fellow managed to get away. It was then discovered that he had secured all of their money and a part of their wearing apparel, and both young men had to send for help from home. Fortunately neither was hurt in the episode.

The Hotel Burns is receiving a coat of paint externally.

Mrs. C. E. Fish has recovered from a severe cold which has troubled her for some time.

Miss Elsie Micott of Pearl street left Tuesday for Fresno, California, where she will visit relatives.

Mrs. H. J. Morgan and Mrs. J. B. Dawson of Main street are spending the week with relatives in New York.

The Monday Evening Whist Club, to the number of about 24, enjoyed a turkey supper at the Hotel Burns on Thursday evening of last week.

E. B. Taylor attended on Tuesday the 125th anniversary of the old Baptist church in Hartford, which he formerly attended.

The Hewehe Campfire Girls met last night at the home of Miss Ellen Sayles. The meeting was ceremonial. Honor bands were awarded to members, and business occupied the evening.

No Permit to Gather Junk.

So Was Fined \$20. Also \$10 For Receiving Stolen Property.

Harry Gold of Palmer was arraigned in the district court last Thursday on charges of gathering junk without a license, and with receiving stolen property. Frank Klupski of Thorndike was charged with the larceny of brass from the Hampden railroad company. The cases were continued until Saturday, when Gold was fined \$20 for gathering junk and \$10 for receiving stolen property knowing it to be stolen; he entered an appeal in both cases. Klupski was found guilty, but the case was continued from day to day. The evidence was that he found the brass along the line of the railroad but supposed that it had been thrown away as useless, and had no intimation that he was doing wrong in carrying it away. He sold the metal to Gold, who was soliciting sales with a team.

Library Association Officers.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Young Men's Library Association was held Tuesday evening in the reference room of the library. These officers were elected: President, C. L. Waid; vice president, E. W. Carpenter; secretary, A. H. Parker; treasurer, L. E. Chandler; directors, H. M. Howe, F. A. Smith, C. H. Hobson, Rufus Flynt; librarian, C. H. Hobson. It was voted to change the date of the annual meeting from the first Monday in March to the first Wednesday of January. It was also voted to change both the constitution and by-laws so that business may be transacted under a majority vote of the members present and voting, instead of requiring a two-thirds vote of the entire membership. The regular meetings of the association will be held on the first Wednesday of January, April, July and October in the future.

Knights of Malta Installation.

District Deputy Grand Commander Charles L. Young and suite of Hampden commandery, Knights of Malta of Springfield, installed the newly-elected officers of Pilgrim commandery Tuesday evening in Masonic Hall. Following are the officers installed: Commander, James H. Clark; generalissimo, George W. Sumner; captain general, James Barber; prelate, Lyman Moore; recorder, Alfred Swann; assistant recorder, M. S. French; treasurer, O. W. Marcy; senior warden, Edwin O'Neill; junior warden, George Hathaway; standard bearer, Mathew McKenzie; sword bearer, Henry Fletcher; first guard, A. L. Roper; second guard, W. E. Taylor; warden, W. R. Tyers; sentinel, C. B. Thomas. A banquet was served after the ceremonies.

Tried to Break Jail.

Frank P. Cassidy, one of the two men engaged in the auto hold up near the electric plant in Palmer on the morning of January 28, made an attempt to escape from jail in Providence, R. I., Tuesday night, but was caught before he had got outside the wall.

The N. G. C. was entertained by Mrs. C. H. Keith at her home on Park street Monday afternoon.

John W. Millerick has moved his family from North Main street to his new house on Squier street.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Carpenter of Thorndike street are entertaining Miss Ida Swetland of Exeter, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Converse of Walnut street are entertaining their nephew, Robert Chapman of Oakdale.

Glenn R. Paine of Boston has been the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Paine of South Main street.

Miss Elizabeth Rogers of Danbury, Ct., was a guest over Sunday of her sister, Mrs. Eric Allen of Pleasant street.

Mrs. Jennie Rokenbaugh of New York was a guest a part of the week of her father, F. M. Eager of Walnut street.

Miss Frances Chandler is at her home on Squier street for the Easter vacation of 16 days at Mount Holyoke College.

Mrs. C. E. Fish of Walnut street entertained the Dorcas Society of the Universalist church yesterday afternoon.

Joseph Howard has bought the Maxwell place in the Silver Street district of Joseph Damon. It consists of about 150 acres.

Miss Ruth Connor of Mt. Holyoke College is spending a two-weeks' vacation with her sister, Mrs. E. C. Gould of Holbrook street.

Miss Elizabeth Bodfish of Providence, R. I., has been a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bodfish of Holbrook street, this week.

Mrs. H. W. Taylor has returned to her home in Waverly after spending a short time with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thompson of Central street.

Miss Annie Cameron of New Hampshire is spending a vacation from school duties with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Cameron of Thorndike street.

Harold Taylor of Boston and Miss Emma J. Williams of Kents Hill, Me., were Sunday guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Taylor of Thorndike street.

The board of license commissioners held a meeting Monday evening. In another column will be found their notice that all applications for licenses must be filed by the 29th.

Charles W. Robinson is improving from a severe case of blood poisoning which set in from a wound in his hand caused by handling a barrel, and which at first was thought to be a slight scratch.

A deer, which was killed early Monday morning by the passenger train on the Ware river road, was brought to Palmer, where Deputy Luman ordered it dressed and gave it to the members of the train crew.

Motion pictures of His Holiness, the late Pope Pius X, will be shown tomorrow evening at the opera house, with matinee at 4 in the afternoon; the evening shows will be at 7 and 8.30. These are the only authentic and authorized pictures ever taken, and will no doubt be well worth seeing. The price of admission will be as usual.

Farm Barn Burned Tuesday.

Origin a Mystery. Rumor That a Man's Body May be in Ruins.

The barn on the "King Knox" farm on the Thorndike road, owned by Mrs. S. W. Lawrence, was burned about 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, together with several tons of hay and a quantity of farming tools. The loss is from \$1500 to \$2000, fully covered by insurance.

The barn stood as usual with nothing of a suspicious nature about it when the 3.45 electric car out of Palmer passed about 3.50. Half an hour later there was nothing left but a heap of smoking ruins. Chief Summers was notified of the fire, and took the auto truck and a few men to keep the fire from spreading into adjoining fields. They had a hard time in keeping fire out of the brush heaps and second growth on the hill across the road, as many burning brands were carried there by the wind and had good material on which to work after landing.

There is no knowledge of how the fire started. But a short time before it was discovered two little children living in the next house, a little more than an eighth of a mile distant, ran to their mother and told her that a very drunken man had just gone into the barn smoking a pipe. If that is so and he started the blaze, it is probable that his body is under the debris in the cellar. Chief Summers was told the story, but was not inclined to give it much credence.

H. C. Manzer of Pleasant street has moved his family to Burlington, Vt.

Mrs. W. E. Sedgwick of Pleasant street is ill at her home.

Whitcomb & Faulkner sell Stovink, the remedy for red stoves. Thrifty housekeepers find great satisfaction in using Stovink.—Adv.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Jones of Park street have returned from a visit with friends in Templeton.

The electric light and telephone companies have set a new line of poles for joint use along the south side of Highland street from Knox street west, this week.

The Sophomores are all busy preparing their speeches for the prize speaking contest, which takes place next month.

Hot Cross Buns at Gugli's bakery every morning and evening, commencing next Wednesday. Get your order in early.—Adv.

Miss Madeline Fuller of South Main street is visiting the Misses Haines of Girard avenue, Philadelphia, and from there will go to Lodi, N. J., to visit her sister, Mrs. F. L. Gunn.

In the district court yesterday morning George Moon was found guilty of the larceny of wood from Fred Jameson of South Main street, was placed on probation until May.

Rev. B. F. MacIntire of New York will occupy the pulpit of the Universalist church for the next two Sundays, and will make his headquarters in Palmer during the next two weeks.

At St. Paul's Universalist church Sunday morning the "Te Deum" in F, by Kotzmar, will be sung by a double quartet, and the "Psalms" will be sung by Miss Bertha Thayer, with violin obligato.

The last entertainment in the Lyceum course—The Dunbar Quartet and Bell Ringers—in the opera house Monday evening attracted a large audience, every member of which was well pleased with the program. By many it was considered the finest entertainment of the course.

The Flynt Building and Construction Company has been given the contract for an addition to the works of the Locomobile Company of America at Bridgeport, Ct. The original plant of the company was built by the Flynt company a dozen or more years ago.

The Easter announcement of the Gann Company of Springfield will be found on the 6th page of this paper. This company makes a specialty of wearing apparel for women, including millinery, and carries a large and varied stock. Tailored suits and spring coats are featured, and there is also an extensive shoe department catering to women and children. Easter shoppers will find many new things of interest there.

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High School Notes.

By Roger C. Holden, '15

Mr. Eastman has been absent on account of illness.

Eleanor Casey '16 and Ralph Warner '16 have been absent from school all this week.

Singing was omitted last Friday morning, as Miss Cantwell was unable to come on account of illness.

Some of the March monthly examinations are being held this week, but the majority of them are due next week.

Daniel Quirk, '15, entertained the Senior English class last Friday morning by a 17-minute talk on "Modern Fighting on the Sea."

The Seniors held a food sale to-day for the benefit of the Washington trip fund. At present about 20 members of the class are planning to take the trip, with Mr. Hurley in charge of the party.

Baseball practice began in earnest Monday afternoon. A squad of about 25 reported. The manager plans to have practice every school day after-noon. The first game will take place on April 19. The school is much pleased with the enthusiasm and school spirit shown by its athletes.

Owing to previously arranged full schedules of the Spencer and Palmer High debating societies, a debate between the two schools this year will be impossible. Palmer high has planned for three public debates besides the regular school debates, to take place before the end of this school year, and will be unable to debate other schools on such short notice as Spencer gave. It is hoped that the two schools will debate next year.

The monthly assembly committee has decided to omit the March assembly, as a public debate will take place April 2. April 6 the program of the Palmer Historical Society is to be in the hands of High School pupils, so that the assembly for April will be omitted on that account. The committee plans to have an assembly in May if possible, but to omit the June assembly on account of the final examinations and the graduation exercises of the Seniors.

The second debate of the Forum was held last Friday afternoon in the school building, and was attended by a large audience. The question was: "Resolved, That Immigration Should be Further Restricted by Law." The affirmative, supported by Edwin Keefe '15 and Dorothy Buck '15, won the decision over the negative, upheld by William Monroe P. G. and Alice Smith '16. Both sides put forth strong arguments, but the winning team excelled in rebuttal and presentation. The judges were Wilfred Lyon '15, Rubie Jones '15, and Ardell Rich '16. After the debate was over and while the judges were deliberating, the president threw the question open to the house and called for opinions. Several enthusiastic members of the Forum immediately supporting the negative side. Walter Mansfield '15 kept the critic's report, and Edythe Twiss '15 kept the secretary's report for Marion Davis '15, who was absent. The debate on the whole was very interesting, and the arguments put forth were convincing and educating.

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PALMER NEWS.

Death of A. H. Willis.

Albert H. Willis, 68, a former well-known resident and business man of Palmer, died at his home in Waban Saturday night from the effects of cerebral hemorrhage on the previous Tuesday. Besides a widow he leaves two daughters, Clara and Ruth at home, and a son, J. Howard, an architect in San Francisco. The funeral was on Tuesday of this week and the body was cremated, burial being in Mount Auburn cemetery. Mr. Willis came to Palmer about 45 years ago and was employed by W. W. Cross in his clothing store in the Cross block. Later he and John White bought the business, which was conducted by them for a number of years. Later they disposed of it and Mr. Willis moved to Boston, where the past 25 years he has been interested in a number of clothing stores in various localities. He was at one time secretary of Thomas lodge of Masons of Palmer, and was largely instrumental in the founding of St. Paul's Universalist church.

The K. N. whist club was entertained last evening by Miss Helen Leland at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Carpenter of Thorndike street.

Arthur E. Fitch, who has recently purchased land in Monson near Silver Street and is to breed trout, has received from the fish and game commissioners a permit to buy, sell, and have trout in his possession for food at any time of the year.

The Heweha Campfire Girls are taking charge of the sale of tickets for the entertainment to be given March 30, in Odd Fellows Hall, under the auspices of Pataquatic Encampment for the benefit of the Wing Memorial Hospital.

E. H. Truesdell has bought the stock and business of E. Lockwood, formerly the Hall market, on Main street, and will take possession the first of next week. Since the Commercial block fire Mr. Truesdell has had a market in the basement of the Lawrence block.

Word was received last Thursday of the death in Athol of Mrs. Mary Stebbins Bush, widow of William H. Bush, formerly of Palmer, at the age of 76 years and 11 months. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. F. C. Hastings of Athol, with whom she had lived for the past few years, and Mrs. George Ellis of Warren, also one brother in San Antonio, Texas; there are also three grand children. Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery in Enfield.

DIED.

In Belchertown, 20th, Mrs. Harriet H. Craney, 82.
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In Ware, 21st, Charles Brown Jr., 28.

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Doings of the Legislature.

Special to the Journal.

Usual Milk Fight On—Chicopee Fair Appropriation—Western Massachusetts Highways Prospects—Republican Gubernatorial Outlook—Progressive Party Situation.

BOSTON, March 22.—Though there have been no decisive developments on the milk situation, yet enough has come out to show that the former contest against the old system, headed by the Massachusetts Milk Consumers' Association, is still under way. There has been mailed to the members of the Legislature a woman's point of view, as published in a Boston afternoon paper. Another indication is the sending to the members of the Legislature a copy of a circular seeming to show that Representative Whitney of Winthrop is the member of the committee on public health on whose vote much may depend, and as if the consumers must have some inside information which makes the vote of Mr. Whitney a very important one for them to have. But the representatives of the milk producers—and Mr. Chapman of Ludlow is one of the foremost of them in the House—are quite sure that the farmers are as much opposed to the present movement for regulation as they were to the former Ellis bill, which has now been abandoned as bad tactics. Yet the milk consumers have retained the same counsel as represented them for the Ellis Bill—former Representative Myron E. Peirce of Boston—and they are driving at the same object, although under a different name. Mr. Chapman does not believe that the consumers will be any more friendly to the pending legislation than they were to the Ellis bill. There has not been any indication yet as to which side is ahead, and both work well under cover.

A Hampden county agricultural case is that of the new society in Chicopee, known as the Hampden County Fair, incorporated. This society wants to come into the group of agricultural societies which are entitled to bounty from the state treasury. But it is under the limitation. Formerly the law said that no society within 12 miles of one which is receiving the bounty of \$400 a year for the payment of premiums could be eligible. But, in the policy of preventing competition, the limit was 25 miles. That cut out Chicopee, for it was within that limit of other fairs. They had begun their movement before the law was passed, but they had not held their first exhibition, which would have brought them inside the law. Hence they asked for a special act and their local representatives supported them before the committee on agriculture. They carried their point and the bill was reported. Since it involved the expenditure of government money, it had to go to the committee on ways and means. That committee reported against it. But the local representatives put up such a strong contest on the floor of the House that they beat the committee and secured standing for the bill. Its fate is not yet decided. It will have to go to the Senate ways and means committee, if it passes the House, and as the policy of the agricultural people is not to have competition within certain limits and as there is such a demand yet that the bill will go through. But the strong local support for it counts for much in its favor. Men working for a direct object, as the friends of the bill are, usually accomplish more than those who work on general principle, as is the case with the opposition to this bill.

On the strength of a statement of Senator Gurdon W. Gordon of Springfield, it looks as if there might be a report in favor of the desired appropriation for development of state highways in Western Massachusetts. But it remains to be seen whether the amount will be sufficient to accomplish anything in this year of economy, and whether the routes selected will be those most favored by the different localities. There is general agreement on the part of the people of Western Massachusetts that the crying need of that part of the state is better communication between the hill towns and the centers of population. If there can be branch roads from the hill centers to the main line of state highway east and west, then it will tend to prevent the abandonment of the hills by the farmers, will prevent the continued decline of farm values, will keep the people more in touch with modern conditions of life and will bring about better understanding between the cities and the towns. But this is a year when the Republican party has made pledges of economy and the leaders in the Legislature are urging that the pledges be kept. There seems to be a return wave of Republican prestige and it looks now as if nothing could prevent the success of the Republican ticket in the coming election. Hence it is felt that they must keep their promises to the people and not alienate the returning progressives and the incoming throng of young voters by extravagance and infidelity to promises. These considerations operate against large appropriations for state or improved highways. Hence Western prosperity and progress wait upon politics, to a certain extent, at least. But, by being generous to Western Massachusetts the Republicans will get votes in the hill towns.

It is wholly in the air who will be the Republican nominee for governor. But the developments during the week look as if the McCall side were gaining at the expense of the Cushing. It will be noticed that Cushing, in his speech at Worcester Saturday night at the meeting of the Worcester Swedish club, publicly gave his promise of loyal support to McCall if he were the nominee. Of course it was good politics for him to do so. It opened the way for Mr. McCall to reciprocate and to pledge his cordial support to Cushing if he should win, but it does not yet appear that McCall has made such a statement. A further indication that Cushing may not win is in the prospect that the legislative committee on constitutional amendments is said to be likely to report against the amendment forbidding appropriations for sectarian purposes. If it should be shown to be the Republican policy not to stir up that issue, against which there is strong Catholic opposition, then, since who favor the amendment, it will tend to show that the common sense of the party is against him and with McCall. It does not yet appear that it would be as well for the party, as a whole, for

Cushing to antagonize McCall as for him to stand loyally by him and make it easy to nominate and elect the ticket of last year. Of course, if Cushing really believes that he is a bigger and stronger candidate than McCall—and it looks as if he thought so—then it is to be expected that he will not be content until he has demonstrated who is right. But his candidacy, if he fails, will put him out of public life, and he does not want to suffer such an extinguishment as that. But, aside from candidates, it looks as if the Republicans were sure to win, anyway.

Joseph Walker comes to the state house occasionally, but it is by no means certain that he will be the Progressive nominee for governor this year, nor, indeed, that there will be any nominee for governor by that party. While there are standpat Progressives, as they call themselves, still, the lapse of time has developed more calm reflection than they entered during the rush of the Roosevelt movement in 1912. One of them, speaking of the practical result of their separation from the Republicans, notes that it has been to put a Democratic governor in office who is appointing a great many of his own type to good positions. Such a result could not have occurred if the Progressives had stood with their former party. Hence, in view of the practical consequences—which they do not like—of their doing what they thought best for the general up-lift of the state and nation, they are more disposed than ever to doubt their own wisdom. It was to be noted that such a Progressive as Principal Guy M. Winslow of Lasell Seminary at Auburndale was one of the company Friday evening at the Republican reception to distinguished leaders from out of the state. He heard some warm words for the returning Progressives, but, at the same time, thorough denunciation and contempt for Roosevelt as a great political trickster.

There is an effort, which promises to be successful, for a bill to permit Belchertown to take water for a town water supply and to issue \$50,000 in bonds for the purpose. There was a good case made out at the hearing and there was no opposition.

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BRIMFIELD.

The Hitchcock Free Academy will close to-morrow for the regular spring vacation.

Several from the local Grange attended the meeting of the Sturbridge Grange Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Bertie Barnes is convalescing from an operation in the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer.

Mrs. Bert Campbell is at her home after undergoing a successful operation at the Wing Memorial Hospital in Palmer.

Announcement of the marriage of Miss Ruth Wheaton at the home of her mother, Mrs. Charles Gregory of Springfield, last Saturday evening, has been received in town. Miss Wheaton formerly lived in Brimfield.

Orrin Hicks, Charles Filer, Clarence Brown and Edward S. Butterfield attended the hearing by the legislative committee on the matter of state roads and bridges in Springfield Saturday, on the matter of state roads for Western Massachusetts.

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THORNDIKE. Attempted Burglary.

Unknown persons tried to gain entrance to the store of M. Lawler one night the past week. A ladder was found leaning against the rear of the building by Adelard Lebeau, a clerk, when he went to the store in the morning. One of the windows was partly open but could be raised only a short distance because of the window screen which had been left on the top sash. Whether or not they were frightened away before entering the store is not known. The ladder was a short one, and by its appearance would indicate that it has not been exposed to the weather, being in good condition and painted red. No one has yet been able to identify the ladder.

Temperance Society to Give Drama.

"Our Boys," a comedy in three acts, will be presented in Union Hall Wednesday evening, April 7, by the St. Mary's Temperance Society. The cast will include Bernard Loftus, John Healey, John Sullivan, James Doyle, Walter Doyle, Edward Griffin, Miss Joanna Sugrue, Miss Mary Sullivan and Marguerite Sullivan. Tickets are now on sale by the society, the admission being 35 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudden are entertaining friends from out of town.

Mrs. James Hughes has returned from a visit with relatives in Providence.

The Misses Fleming will hold their spring millinery opening to-morrow and Saturday evenings.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tabor are entertaining friends from out of town at their home on Church street.

Despite the wet weather of the past inter the rivers and brooks are beginning to show signs of needed rain.

Mrs. J. F. Luman and John Jr. visited Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Sullivan and family of Springfield Sunday.

Mrs. James Campbell and son Kenneth are spending a week with Mrs. R. B. Wakeman in St. Johnsbury, Vt.

Fred Ouimette returned on Monday from the Mercy Hospital, Springfield, where he has been a patient for several days.

Rev. Fr. O'Connor of Northampton was the speaker at the Tuesday evening Lenten services at St. Mary's church.

The banns of marriage were published at St. Mary's church on Sunday between Miss Florence Sugrue and Frank Doyle.

Mrs. Daniel Ahern has returned this week from Holyoke, where she has been a patient at the House of Providence Hospital.

Bernard Loftus and Katherine Longline are to take part in the drama, "Fisherman's Luck," to be given in Three Rivers soon.

David Smith is to organize a baseball team to represent Thorndike on the diamond the coming summer. Mr. Smith intends to select players from each of the villages of the town.

The basketball season, which is practically closed for this year, has been a very interesting as well as a profitable one. Some good games have been witnessed here and the attendance has been large.

Sunday morning at the Congregational church Rev. J. E. Enman will preach on, "The Quest for Perfect Manhood," and in the evening on, "The Infinite Value of Life." Sunday school meets at noon. Next Sunday is the final day in the "Come-to-church" campaign, and the men invite and welcome.

Last Sunday was observed at St. Mary's church as Peace Sunday, in accordance with orders from Pope Benedict XV. Many attended holy communion, and the blessed sacrament was exposed after the 10 o'clock service until vesper. The evening service consisted of the litanies of the saints, the rosary, the Pope's prayer, and benediction of the blessed sacrament.

THREE RIVERS.

Mrs. J. W. Cheney is ill at her home on High street.

Charles Freak of Main street is visiting in Montville, Ct.

Albert Barber of Pleasant street has recovered from his recent illness.

Mrs. Homer Shaw of Main street has been ill at her home the past week.

George Murdock of Gilbertville visited his family Sunday on the Palmer road.

Mrs. Ralph Senecal of Pleasant street, who has been ill, is much improved.

James Fenton has returned from Boston to his home on the Belchertown road.

William Ritchie, formerly of this place, visited relatives here the last of the week.

Miss Mollie O'Grady of North Wilbraham called on relatives in this village Monday.

Miss Rosalena Paulin of Pleasant street, who has been ill, has recovered and is able to be out.

Miss Louise Miller and Edythe Twiss spent Sunday at the home of Miss Dorothy Buck in Palmer.

Mrs. Fred Reed has returned to her home on the Wilbraham road after a visit with relatives in Vermont.

Mrs. Nettie Haynes and Mrs. Louis Calkins of the Palmer road visited in Wales the first of the week.

John Horan of Worcester was called here by the death of his mother, Mrs. Jerry Horan, on the Belchertown road.

Miss Nellie Conroy of Springfield was the week-end guest of the Misses Lane at their home on the Palmer road.

Clifford Geer of Tufts College was the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Geer of the Belchertown road.

Miss Wilberta Bliss of Shrewsbury visited at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Philip Storey on Maple street, the last of the week.

Mrs. Charles Tannebring and daughter Inez of Springfield street were guests the last of the week of relatives in Worcester.

Miss Esther Shaw of Main street spent Sunday in Springfield with her sister, Rachel Shaw, who has been ill the past week.

Miss Gertrude Hartnett of Main street, who has been ill the past week, resumed her duties as teacher in grade 4 in Bondsville, Monday.

Miss Rachel Chambers of Springfield was the week-end guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Chambers of the Belchertown road.

Miss Alice Turkington of Smith College is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Turkington of Anderson avenue.

Miss Sarah Bothwell of the Westfield Normal School spent Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bothwell of Front street.

Mrs. Nellie Woods and Mrs. William Gerald of Springfield were here the first of the week to attend the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Jerry Horan of the Belchertown road.

The dates for the play, "Fisherman's Luck," for the benefit of the fire department, have been fixed for Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, April 20 and 21.

Mrs. Jane Horan, widow of the late Jeremiah Horan, died last Saturday evening in the Mercy Hospital in Springfield, where she had been for treatment for several weeks. Her death came as a surprise to her friends here, who supposed her to be improving and expected her to return home in a few weeks. The body was brought Sunday to her home on the Belchertown road. The funeral was held Tuesday morning at St. Mary's church in Thorndike, with burial in St. Thomas' cemetery. She is survived by three sons, John of Worcester, George and Timothy, both of this place.

Joseph Geoffroi died last Thursday at the rectory of St. Anne's church where he and his wife resided with their nephew, Rev. L. O. Geoffroi. Mr. Geoffroi had been ill for several days with pneumonia. Funeral services were held in the church Friday evening at 7 o'clock, after which the parishioners escorted the body to the C. V. depot, from which it was taken for burial to Canada on the evening train. His wife went with the body. The funeral services were in charge of Joseph Belanger of this village, who also took charge in Canada. The bearers here were members of St. Anne's parish of this village. He is survived by his widow and his nephew, Rev. L. O. Geoffroi.

BONDSDVILLE.

Successful Fair.

The annual fair given under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid Society Thursday and Friday evenings of last week was a most decided success, both socially and financially. The church vestry was prettily decorated for the occasion, lavender and white crepe paper being used extensively. Those in charge of the booths did a good business, there being a large number present, not only of the townspeople, but the neighboring villages were well represented. The entertainment each night was much enjoyed, judging from the interest expressed. The camp fire girls made their first appearance in public and were much enjoyed, adding largely to the entertainment. The Ladies' Aid Society greatly appreciate the help rendered by all who assisted in making the fair this year one of the best ever held.

Mrs. James Hall of Springfield was a guest Thursday of her sister, Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Mrs. T. D. Potter has returned to her home in Springfield after visiting her son, F. E. Albro.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banister were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Vaughn of Sturbridge.

Miss Lydia Marson of Springfield spent Sunday at the home of her father, Adalard Marsan.

Misses Marie and Catherine McCoy of Dorchester are visiting their sister, Mrs. M. R. Sullivan.

The Ladies' Aid Society, which was to have been held yesterday afternoon, was postponed to this afternoon.

Mrs. Emma Blaisdell and Mrs. C. N. May of Springfield were guests Thursday of their sister, Mrs. William Taylor.

Mrs. Clinton Carey has returned to her home in Lowell after spending a few days with her father, E. G. Childs.

Misses Ethel Bedell, Susie Conway and May Hudson of Palmer were recent guests of Miss Gertrude O'Dell.

Ate a Hearty Dinner, Then Died With Acute Indigestion

According to Dr. J. O. Limerell, of New York, an eminent authority and writer on several branches of medicine and surgery, the percentage of deaths in this country from acute indigestion has shown a startling gain in the past five years.

In an interview, he recently made the statement that acute indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble, was carrying off more prominent men than any other one disease. It was only recently that a well-known man sat down to a hearty dinner and had scarcely finished when he threw up his hands and fell back, dead. No one should flirt with disaster when he knows he is taking chances on nearly everything he eats, because it is so easy to be on the safe side.

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William Davis was a guest Sunday of friends in Enfield, where he lived formerly.

William O'Connor spent Sunday as the guest of Miss Annie Carney in Webster.

Miss Alice Banister was a guest Tuesday of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Vaughn in Sturbridge.

The youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Taylor, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is much better.

Mrs. Elizabeth Manville and Miss Lucy Goodrich of Springfield were guests Friday of Mrs. and Mrs. F. E. Albro.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bray have returned to their home in Stafford after a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Charles Holden.

Mr. and Mrs. John F. Hanifin had as guests Sunday Miss Ruth Thompson of Chicopee and Henry Hanifin of Springfield.

Rev. and Mrs. T. C. Martin, and Mr. and Mrs. Keyes took an automobile trip to Greenfield Wednesday, where they visited friends.

Charles Billings returned Monday to his work in Ashfield after spending the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Billings.

Daniel Austin has been confined to his home this week with grip. Mrs. Austin and her mother, who have been ill also, have recovered.

Mrs. Allen Hall and daughter, Miss Viola, returned to their home to-day after spending a week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Davis and son Robert have been confined to the house this week by severe attacks of grip. Mr. Davis has been obliged to close his shoemaking shop.

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Monson News.

Small Special Town Meeting.

Appropriation For Permanent Road.
Rent of Memorial Hall Donated.

The special town meeting Monday afternoon was a harmonious and hospitable affair. William H. Anderson was chosen moderator.

Article two, concerning a highway appropriation brought out considerable discussion. Selectman H. M. Smith spoke in favor of using the money in building permanent road on the Stafford highway; others favored resurfacing and repairing Main street from the "Turn-out" south. Upon motion of R. S. Hughes it was voted to raise \$1000 and to appropriate from funds in the treasury another \$1000, and to petition the State Highway Commission for a like sum of \$2000, the \$4000 total to be used in resurfacing Main street from Frank J. Beckwith's residence as far south as the funds will permit. Main street has received only superficial attention for many years, and is much in need of resurfacing, especially from Harrison avenue towards Flynn's store, and on the Academy Hill. The latter stretch has a good foundation of stone, put in when A. D. Norcross was overseer of highways and bridges.

The article pertaining to giving the Memorial Hall auditorium rent free to the King's Daughters and the Monson Improvement Society was voted in favor of those two organizations. F. N. Wood thought the Woman's Relief Corps should be included in the free list, but his suggestion could not be acted on under the motion. This exemption from rent to these two charitable societies is for the ensuing year only, and each society will be allowed three gatherings in the hall during that time.

It was voted to allow the selectmen to sell the old spraying outfit, formerly used in spraying the shade trees. About 100 voters were in attendance.

Following the action on the warrant a representative of the Equal Suffrage League presented arguments for the ballot for women in an attractive and interesting manner. This is the first time the suffrage question has openly invaded a Monson town meeting for several years and the fair expounder of the suffrage doctrines was given careful attention. Signing of cards signifying one's standing on the question was not so enthusiastic however.

The scant attendance at the meeting has brought up the suggestion that in the future the appropriation meetings ought to be held in the evening, when the voters employed in various places through the day could attend and so make the action of the meetings more representative, and give a larger percentage a voice in all such town affairs.

Country Club Officers.

The annual meeting of the Quabog Country Club was held last evening. The terms of three governors expired and they were re-elected, F. A. Smith of Palmer, George H. Seymour and G. C. Flynn of Monson. The governors elected these officers: President, R. H. Cushman; vice president, L. J. Brainerd; treasurer, G. H. Seymour; assistant treasurer and secretary, F. A. Smith; greens committee, L. C. Flynn, G. A. Andrews, Rufus Flynn, R. P. Cushman, H. W. Brainerd, D. W. Ellis, S. F. Cushman; auditors, R. H. Cushman, G. S. Holden; captain of team, H. E. Kendall, assistant captain, S. F. Cushman; chairman of ladies committee, Mrs. D. W. Ellis.

Runaway Boys Here.

Two unknown boys of 12 or 14 years of age called at R. C. Cushman's house on Main street Tuesday evening at 11.30 and asked for food. Upon investigation they said they had walked here from Westfield and had no food since morning; they said their homes were in Boston. They proved to be state wards from West Springfield, and the people caring for them came to Monson Wednesday morning and took the boys home. Both of them have run away several times within the last month. They were bound for Boston and Europe.

Numerous Forest Fires.

There have been a large number of forest fires of small extent the past week. Chief Norcross was called to the Colton place on the Wilburham road Saturday, where a small boy had set fire to a hollow tree and the flames had spread over the adjoining farm land. A fire set by H. M. Noble on his pasture Saturday morning got away from him and burned over part of Mrs. Lyman Miller's farm. In most all cases permits have been issued by Fire Warden O. E. Bradley in good faith, but those burning brush and the like have personally been too careless of their fires and damage has resulted.

Former Monson Man Receives Bequest.

The will of Eliza J. Hutchinson, whose death occurred four weeks ago, was allowed at the probate court at Holyoke without objection last Thursday. Myron E. Wright of Springfield, formerly of this town, is named as executor, and is made the sole beneficiary.

Applications For Licenses.

The selectmen have announced that applications for liquor licenses must be filed not later than 8 o'clock of the evening of April 8th. This is about two weeks earlier than in former years.

The King's Daughters will meet with Mrs. F. J. Entwistle on Oak street tomorrow afternoon.

Albert Gould and Nathaniel MacAuliffe have been chosen delegates to the grand lodge convention, by Court Monson, Foresters of America.

Motion pictures of His Holiness, Pope Pius X, and the Vatican, the only authentic and authorized pictures ever taken, will be shown at the Roderick Saturday evening, with matinee at 4 o'clock. The prices will be the same as usual.

The Fortnightly club met with Mrs. Lillian Chapin on Green street Monday afternoon. The program for the affair was a study of four of the best known composers, papers being read by four members. After each paper Ralph T. Entwistle played selections written by the composer studied.

Fire Chief Norcross Sued.

For Death of Daniel J. Scannell, Hit by Fire Apparatus Last Fall.

John Scannell, administrator of the estate of Daniel J. Scannell, has filed suit for \$10,000 against Alfred B. Norcross for the death of Daniel J. Scannell. The latter died as the result of being struck by Mr. Norcross' auto truck which was going to a fire in the Kearns house on Cushman street last November. Mr. Norcross was driving the truck, and when it turned into the driveway to the Kearns house Scannell was unable to dodge it and suffered a fractured spine, from the effects of which he died several days later in the Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

Given Call to Pastorate.

Monson Young Man Will Have Charge of Church in Hyannis.

Royden Clapp Leonard, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Leonard of South Main street, who will graduate from St. Lawrence University next June, has received a call to the Universalist pastorate at Hyannis, and will take up the duties of the parish immediately after his graduation. Mr. Leonard attended the public schools of Monson and prepared for college at Monson Academy, graduating from that institution in 1910. He has been at St. Lawrence University three years in the Academic School, and two years in the theological course, from which he will soon receive his degree.

Will Give Mock Trial.

A. A. Gage camp, Sons of Veterans, at their meeting Tuesday evening voted to have a camp fire and smoke talk April 22, and speakers from Boston and Springfield camps will be present. Walter Robertson was elected to the camp council to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Walter Naughton, who becomes secretary. The committee on entertainment reported that a mock trial based on a theoretical divorce case will be put before the public April 12 in Memorial Hall. The cast arranged for this entertainment is as follows: Judge, John P. Herlihy; clerk of court, F. Q. Ball; prosecuting attorney, Col. C. W. Newton of Worcester; complainant, Miss Annie Seymour; defendant, A. M. Walker; court officer, E. S. Howlett; crier, A. J. Buffington; witnesses, Dr. E. W. Capen, Fred J. Sullivan, R. S. Hughes, Mrs. F. J. Entwistle, Mrs. A. M. Smith. The jury has not yet been empaneled, but will be composed of prominent men of the town. A mock trial has not been offered as an entertainment for several years in Monson, and with the above group engaged in administering justice the affair should prove a pleasing attraction.

Dorcas Society Officers.

The Dorcas Society held its annual business meeting and election of officers in the Congregational church parlors yesterday afternoon. The treasurer's report showed the financial condition to be exceptionally strong. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. F. A. Wheeler; 1st vice president, Miss E. R. Holmes; 2d vice president, Mrs. F. W. Ellis; secretary, Mrs. A. E. Shaw; treasurer, Mrs. C. W. Jackson. The various committees will be chosen by these officers. About 40 members attended the meeting, and refreshments were served after the business was transacted.

Death of Mrs. Catherine Possardt.

Mrs. Catherine Possardt, 24, died at her home on Cushman street yesterday afternoon at 3.30 of heart failure. She was born in Stafford, N. J., and was married in Stafford June 11, 1911. She had resided in Monson about two and a half years. She leaves, besides a husband, a father, James McLean of New York city, and two brothers, John and William of the same place; two sisters, Mrs. F. N. Kane and Mrs. Amelia Tietz of Stafford. The funeral will be held Saturday at 1 o'clock, Rev. Abram Conklin officiating; burial will be in Stafford.

Selectman Herlihy has a group of men brushing up Main street.

Miss Elsie Nicholson of Springfield spent the week-end with Miss Maude Rees.

The Heimann & Lichten hat factory is crowded with orders and running at full capacity.

Academy closes to-day for vacation. Sessions will be resumed April 6.

Miss Louise Pendergast of Pearl street leaves to-morrow for a 10-days' visit with friends in Norwich, Ct.

Mrs. Mary Green of Boston, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. V. Ellis, has returned to her home.

William Allen Cushman of Bry & Stratton's, Boston, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Cushman.

Rev. W. A. Kilmer will be the speaker at the Union Lenten services in the Universalist church this evening.

The choir of St. Patrick's church will hold a supper and entertainment, followed by dancing, in Memorial Hall Tuesday evening, April 6.

Howard Small, employe of G. C. Flynn, cut his left leg Saturday cutting wood at his place.

for several weeks been club met with The Current Every afternoon.

Mrs. G. C. Flynn's "History of Home" was the topic, with papers by Mrs. F. W. Ellis on "Irish Views" of the subject, and on "Irish Views."

MONSON REMY NOTES.

(Fushey.)

The Varsity basketball team closed its season high team, champions Northampton Valley League, in of the end very exciting game a close 31 to 22. The close by a Martin and Squier kept guard the defensive the greater the victim. After two minutes part McCarthy scored a twin count of

ter from the center of the floor, which put Monson in the lead they held the whole game. McCarthy and Wenzel did the bulk of the scoring for Monson, Wenzel scoring seven out of eight free tries from the foul line. In the first part of the second half Northampton started a spurt, but the boys were unable to stand the strain and Monson began to guard so close that the 'Hamp boys had to fall back on long shots. Huxley, Dunn and Readie starred for 'Hamp. Line-up:

Monson. Wenzel, 11. McCarthy, 11. Ingelhart, 11. Readie, 11. Squier, 11. Northampton. Huxley, 11. Gleason, 11. Dunn, 11. Faxon, 11. Trushaw, 11. Sias, 11. Score: Monson Academy 8; Northampton High 22. Baskets from floor: Wenzel, McCarthy, Ingelhart, Huxley, 2, Dunn, 2, Gleason, Readie, 3, Sias, 2. Baskets on free tries: Wenzel, 7, Huxley, 2. Free tries missed: Wenzel, Huxley, 3. Fouls called on Huxley, 5, Readie, 3, Martin, 1, Gleason, 1, Faxon, 1, Timer, T. J. Faulkner of Monson. Time, 20-minute halves.

William E. Hill is a patient in the Springfield Hospital; he is to stay there for ten days.

The Varsity baseball team will appear in new uniforms this season. Capt. McCarthy is the first leader to break in new uniforms for some time. At a meeting of the basketball team Capt. C. W. Ingelhart was elected captain for next year unanimously. Ingelhart is a fine captain and all-round athlete.

The executive committee of the athletic association has voted 'Varsity B. B. insignia to the following men: Capt. Ingelhart, McCarthy, Cushman, Leahy, Squier, Wenzel and Martin. The second team insignia was awarded to Capt. Cande and Johnson.

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The New Woman's Shop.

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proof cabinets. The business offices are on the second floor, where will be found the evening gowns and street dresses. At the rear of this floor is a modern alteration department. A rest and tea-room are among the many features of the new store, and a millinery department has been added to the equipment. The building may well be said to be a great addition to the business blocks of Springfield's Main street.

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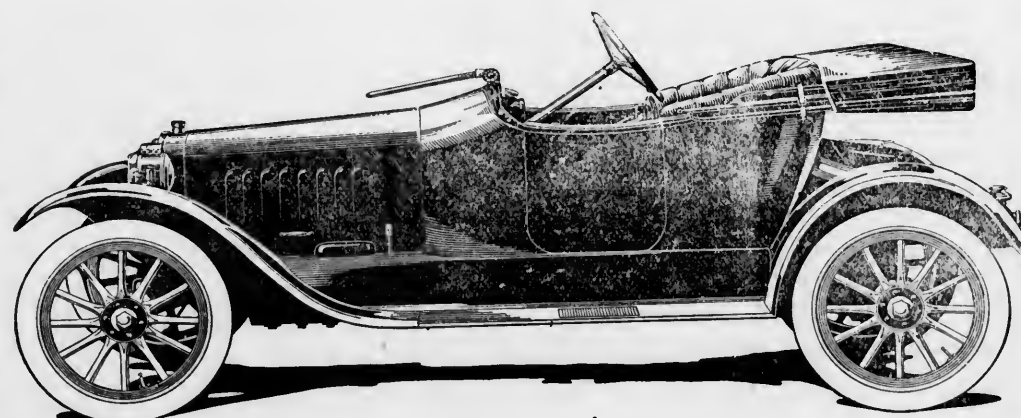
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Everything in this contest will be as fair and above board as we can make it. No one directly or indirectly employed in the Kramer store will be eligible to any of the prizes and we shall see to it that every vote cast goes to the rightful candidate, and that no one is given any unfair advantage of any description. This is a fair free-for-all contest and may the best man win.

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